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Editorial

BLACK POLITICAL PROGRESS

Black people in the South won more state and federal legislative seats in the recent elections than in any election since the Reconstruction era. Thirty-five new seats were picked up. Fifty seats won previously were maintained.

From the Mason-Dixon line to the Gulf of Mexico 85 of 118 Black candidates, or 72 per cent, seeking legislative office were successful. In all, 97 Black legislators now serve the South. A dozen years ago there were no Black legislators in the South.

Also, scores of other Southern Blacks have been elected to county and city posts in recent years. A precise tally of the latest gains and losses in those areas is not yet available.

The recent success is indicative of a new era of country wide Black political progress, wherein Blacks have begun to use the electoral provisions in the U.S. Constitution to translate their desperate existence into action in the political arena.

Black office holders must work for the survival of the people pending the revolutionary transformation of society that will bring freedom. If Blacks fail to participate in the political system, they may find racist politicians legislating them out of existence—genocide. He who thinks it's not possible should consider the mental sickness of the Watergate politicians.

Traditionally, masses of Black people have shunned voting because it held no promise of improving their lives. One candidate was as bad as the other. Now, in many instances, it makes a difference. The promise of victory in the upcoming Oakland City Council elections by Sister Elaine Brown, long time community activist and upholder of the interests of Black and oppressed people, is an example.

Blacks have made gains, but they are still a long way from utilizing their full power at the polls. Today, only 3.5 million Southern Blacks are registered to vote, out of a voting population of over 6 million.

Everywhere, Black and oppressed people should depart from their past and get registered to vote—the first step to realizing dreams of a better future. □



"What coverups?"

Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor:

The following letter is a small expression of our appreciation of the books that we here in Menard have received from the Party and other groups out there. So we request of you (if possible) to print this letter...Thank you!

Revolutionary Greetings, Comrades:

As the seed of our depressing days foreclose, and the tortuous nights resume their formality of antagonism, we find ourselves in receipt of another beautiful package of conscientious material from some (we believe) sincere Brothers & Sisters. It isn't often that we here in the University of Psychosomaticism Training Center get the chance to receive such material (books & newspapers) relating to the People's Struggle.

We would just like to say thanks, for we appreciate the effort you all put forward in getting this material to us. Our sincere appreciation goes out to: Red Book in Cambridge, Mass., Monthly Review in New York, Outmate in Cambridge, and the Black Panther Party News Service.

Yours in Revolutionary Struggle,

Comrade Talib

Slave Name: John (Buck) Edwards #40199

Comrade Cea

Slave Name: C. Vesey #39048

Comrade Adisa

Slave Name: C.E. White #40142

Menard State Prison

P.S. Sorry we can't say the same about many other groups we have wrote!!!

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Dear Editor:

The ideological foundation of the socialist movement in this country has long been centered upon the creation of an equalitarian, classless society. But I have observed certain behavior on the part of socialist revolutionaries that may possibly deny the future existence of such a society. More precisely, socialist (communist, Marxist etc.) activists of bourgeoisie origins seem to advocate "classless-ness" on an economic level, but display a vague "elite-ism" in more intimate areas, i.e., in choice of lovers. What are the criteria involved here...education, social sophistication, physical attractiveness, race/ethnicity? Are some people more equal than others? Is competition the natural order of life?

Many people regard the concept of equalitarianism as an ideal, but artificial human device useful in civilized society, but yet has no place in the laws of nature. Perhaps Billie Holliday was right when she sang: "Them that's got, gets; them that's not, loses, that's what the Bible says—and it still is news."

Sincerely,

Henry Jung

Director

Asian-American Writers Union

P.S. I would welcome readers' response.



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COMMENT

NATIONAL ANTHEM: IS IT NECESSARY?

The following commentary on the ultra-patriotism of sports in America by sports columnist Glenn Dickey from the San Francisco Chronicle expresses widely held sentiments which are rarely reported in the establishment press.

One of the most depressing aspects of the current sports scene is the ritual playing of the National Anthem before every sports event. It is the wrong song in the wrong place at the wrong time.

It is a wretched song. It isn't even American, to start with. Francis Scott Key took a popular English melody and put his words to it. The melody is a very taxing one for the popular singers who usually are called on to sing it, and the words seem difficult to remember, as singers from Robert Goulet to Glen Campbell can attest.

More than that, it glorifies a military tradition, which is an embarrassment in these times. Key was moved to write his lyrics after watching the American battalion at Fort Henry withstand a British barrage during the War of 1812, and the lyrics celebrate that battle.

Key's pride at the time is understandable, but since our adventure in Vietnam, who can listen to phrases like "bombs bursting in air" without flinching? It is a very different world now and we need to learn to live together in peace; singing a song that exalts a battle certainly doesn't advance that idea.

Key wrote his lyrics in 1814, and the song isn't exactly Instant Top 40. Not until 1916, when President Wilson designated it as the National Anthem, did it get official recognition. Congress didn't confirm Wilson's action until 1931.

I'm told it wasn't until World War II that it became standard practice to play the song before sports events. (My memories of CONTINUED ON PAGE 10

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KENT STATE KILLERS ACQUITTED

(Cleveland, Ohio)—In a gross miscarriage of justice, District Court Judge Frank Battisti last week acquitted the eight former Ohio National Guardsmen on trial here for shooting four Kent State University students to death and wounding nine others during campus demonstrations in May, 1970.

Adding to the mockery, Judge Battisti brought his written opinion with him to court the morning the acquittal was granted, "anticipating" a motion for dismissal of charges by attorneys defending the eight men.

In the ruling, the federal court judge maintained that government prosecutors had somehow not "proved beyond a reasonable doubt" that the guardsmen willfully intended to deprive the dead and wounded students of their civil rights.

During the abbreviated trial, Justice Department officials presented 33 witnesses and 130 exhibits and photographs.

The evidence showed that at the time the shooting began, the guardsmen were not surrounded (as two of the now-acquitted men claimed to the FBI a few days after the incident); that no student was within 60 feet; that only about 15 students, none closer than 50 yards away, were actually moving towards the guardsmen; and that logistically, the guardsmen were in the best and safest position on high ground.

Yet despite this and eyewitness testimony by both students and newspaper photographers on hand that day, Judge Battisti declared, "At best, the evidence presented by the government would support a finding that the amount of force used by the defendants was excessive; that they intended to frighten or harm at least some of the demonstrators that day; and they fired without being ordered to do so." James Rhodes, the recently elected governor of Ohio, was said to be delighted with the outcome of the trial, explaining that "justice has prevailed" with the judgement of acquittal.

The national guard unit had been originally ordered on to the Kent State campus by the right-wing Rhodes, after student demonstrators burned down the Army Reserve Officers Training Corps building in protest over the illegal U.S. invasion of Cambodia a few days earlier. □

"TAR BABY" MEMO DETAILS U.S. TREACHERY IN AFRICA

(Washington, D.C.) — Further disclosures on the secret documents prepared by Secretary of State Henry Kissinger concerning U.S. policy in Southern Africa reveal the arch hypocrisy and treachery of the American conspiracy against the self-determination of Black people in southern Africa.

The documents were first made public in an article appearing in the October, 1974, issue of *Esquire* magazine, and also in an article by syndicated columnist Jack Anderson. (See THE BLACK PANTHER, October 19, 1974.)

"Tar Baby," as the southern Africa foreign policy "option" became called in Washington bureaucratic circles, was in direct contradiction to the U.S.'s publicly proclaimed support for self-determination of Blacks in southern Africa, but as its name implies it was typical of this country's racist attitudes towards Black people. Quoting part of the secret documents, *Liberation News Service (LNS)* says:

"We (U.S.) would maintain public opposition to racial repression but relax political isolation and economic restrictions on the White states."

Noting the explosive situation that such a foreign policy decision would create in the U.S. and abroad if it became public



African workers and families in Natal, South Africa, slave for starvation-level wages.

knowledge, "Tar Baby" instructed the State Department to say one thing while doing another.

The revelation of the secret details of the documents come at almost the same time as the United Nations Security Council veto of a General Assembly resolution demanding the removal of the White racist minority regime of the Republic of South Africa from the world body. The U.S. along with Britain and France vetoed the resolution clearly in keeping with "Tar Baby."

A 1969 memorandum from former President Nixon to Kissinger, then Nixon's National Security Council advisor, directed Kissinger to draw up a "comprehensive review of U.S. policy towards Southern Africa (south of the Congo and Tanzania)."

FALLEN COMRADE SPURGEON (JAKE) WINTERS Assassinated: November 13, 1969



Only 19 years old at the time of his death, Spurgeon (Jake) Winters was a full-time and devoted member of the Illinois State Chapter of the Black Panther Party. An honor student while in high school, Spurgeon Winters worked hard to serve his community, functioning in the Chicago Chapter's Free Breakfast for Schoolchildren Program, the People's Free Medical Research Health Clinic, and he freely contributed his ideas within the Education Cadre. Attacked while out in the community in the early morning with another Party member, Jake Winters was shot to death when over 100 Chicago cops opened fire on the two comrades. Three policemen were also killed and seven others were wounded in the attack on an abandoned building where the Party members took refuge. Spurgeon (Jake) Winters set an example that will never die—Revolutionary Suicide. Long live the spirit of Spurgeon (Jake) Winters! Long live the People's Struggle!!

ALL POWER TO THE PEOPLE

On August 15, 1969, Kissinger presented five possible African policy "postures" to the National Security Council (NSC), an elite corps of foreign policy and security planners who advise the President. The alternatives ranged from complete acceptance and overt support for reactionary White-ruled African states to support of Black liberation struggles, the latter unanimously rejected by the NSC. In late 1969, the NSC formally approved the "Tar Baby" option which called for "communications" with White supremacist states, along with secret support.

"Tar Baby's" most important recommendation called for the gradual relaxation of U.S. military sanctions against South Africa, which helped the fascist regime to build up its arms supply to attack the valiant Black revolutionary forces in southern Africa.

Among the other recommendations made either by "Tar Baby's" "General Posture" or its "Operational Examples" were:

On Rhodesia: "Without openly taking the position undermining the United Kingdom (Britain) and the United Nations on Rhodesia, we should be more flexible in our attitude toward the Smith regime. (We should) retain the consulate; gradually relax sanctions and consider eventual recognition."

On Angola and Mozambique: "Relax the unilateral embargo on Portuguese territories to permit the export of dual purpose equipment (for military and aviation use)...such as jet transport and communications."

On neighboring Black African states: "Limit aid to Black states to regional and multi-donor (i.e., linked with World Bank loans) programs, and publicly discourage insurgent movements." Mil-

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PEOPLE'S FREE CLINIC HELPS MEET COMMUNITY'S NUTRITIONAL NEEDS

(Berkeley, Calif.) - Lack of adequate nutrition and health care in Black and poor communities is an ongoing problem. The Woman, Infant, Children (WIC) program, one of the community Out-Reach programs of the People's Free Medical Research Health Clinic here meets this community need. WIC is a comprehensive federal health program providing supplemental food for families with limited incomes and general nutrition information for the entire family.

Run in conjunction with the Children's Hospital Medical Center, the Clinic's WIC program is primarily set up for pregnant women; mothers who are nursing an infant up to 12 months of age; infants; and children who have not yet reached their fourth birthday.

The advantage of the WIC program is that it does not disqualify eligible persons from receiving benefits of other programs such as Aid To Families with Dependent Children (AFDC), welfare and food stamps. The Clinic's very thorough staff, through close counseling of its patients determines their need for the program and refers them to Children's Hospital.

Under the WIC Program, each eligible family member receives a book of food coupons or "vouchers," listing specific foods and their prices. The vouchers can be exchanged at any large grocery store or at small stores in the user's area for the food item listed.

Voucher booklets provide food from the milk and dairy products group, the meat group, the vegetable and fruit group, and the bread and cereal group. These foods are selected to provide specific nutrients most often lacking in sufficient quantities in the diets of pregnant and



Child and family health care is an important part of the Clinic's community Out Reach programs.

nursing women, and infants and children under four—protein, vitamins A and D, iron and calcium, and vitamin C.

Participants receive a new booklet of vouchers each month which all must be used within the

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PEOPLE'S PEOPLE, SA SA DANCERS ENTERTAIN AT SON OF MAN TEMPLE

(Oakland, Calif.) - The large audience at last Sunday's Son of Man Temple celebration service saw excellent performances by guest entertainers PEOPLE'S PEOPLE and the SA SA DANCERS.

The crowd rose in a standing ovation when People's People, a popular jazz group, finished its last number, one of several original compositions the group played at the service.

The Sa Sa Dancers, made up of youthful brothers and sisters, pleased the audience with its exciting African dances to drum accompaniment.

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THIS WEEK IN BLACK HISTORY

NOVEMBER 11, 1831

Nat "the Prophet" Turner, the leader of the famous slave rebellion in the summer of 1831 that sent shockwaves through the antebellum South—causing one old White man to keel over from a heart attack and sending hundreds of White women and children fleeing in fear—was hanged as a consequence of his courageous bid for freedom on November 11, 1831.

NOVEMBER 15, 1884

Western imperialists from England, France, Belgium, Portugal and Germany sat down at an international conference in Berlin, lasting from November 15, 1884 to February 26, 1885, and in a planned and organized way divided between themselves the continent of Africa. The decisions reached lasted until the end of World War II.

NOVEMBER 11, 1925

The late great Louis ("Satchmo") Armstrong, influencing a new direction in jazz, recorded the first of his hit Hot Five and Hot Seven recordings on November 11, 1925.

NOVEMBER 14, 1960

In an unforgettable scene of raw race hatred, U.S. marshals and parents were forced to escort four young Black girls to two New Orleans elementary schools on November 14, 1960.

NOVEMBER 16, 1972

In a brutal and tragic case of open murder, on November 16, 1972, East Baton Rouge sheriffs' deputies and state police killed two Black Southern University students following a Black student campus demonstration for better food, housing, and a greater voice in decision making affairs.



"Until We're Free"

A powerful, yet tender and important new album by Elaine Brown. The songs on the album weave a beautiful tapestry of protest against the quality of life for Black Americans. Listeners will find themselves engulfed in a flow of emotion as Elaine's melodic voice works its magic. Once you have heard "Until We're Free", you will understand why Huey P. Newton says: "A consuming talent, a total dedication and a proven commitment are combined in Elaine Brown, making her the first, genuine People's Artist America has produced."

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SONGS WRITTEN AND PERFORMED BY ELAINE BROWN

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IMPRISONED NORTH CAROLINA SISTER ATTACKED CHARGED WITH MURDER

(Raleigh, N.C.) - A mass demonstration will be held here November 16 at Women's Prison for a 20-year-old Black woman scheduled to stand trial later this month for killing a White prison guard whom she said tried to rape her.

The case of Sister Joanne Little is particularly significant due to the issue of a woman's right to self-defense against rape raised by the controversial Inez Garcia rape-murder case in Monterey, California. (See THE BLACK PANTHER, November 9, 1974.) Ms. Garcia, who killed a man whom she said helped to rape her, was convicted of second degree murder and sentenced to serve a prison term of from five years to life.

Clarence Alligood, a guard at the Beaufort County Jail in Washington, North Carolina, was found dead in a cell on August 27 of this year. He had been murdered with an ice pick normally kept in his desk drawer. His body was naked from the waist down except for his socks. His shoes were lying in the corridor outside the cell.

Sister Joanne Little, the occupant of the cell, had fled. She turned herself in to state authorities in Raleigh eight days later.

Sister Little had been incarcerated in Beaufort County Jail for three months pending an appeal of a conviction for breaking and entering. As the only woman and as a Black woman in a jail with all-White guards, she was an easy prey for a sadistic sexual attack. Ms. Little explained that Alligood had made repeated sexual advances toward her and that she killed him in self-defense with his own ice pick when he entered her cell and tried to rape her in the early morning hours of August 27th.

The state of North Carolina, which has the largest number of people on death row among the 50 states—most of whom are Black—has kept Sister Little in solitary confinement while she awaits trial. Her bond was set at \$100,000.

Sister Little faces a long and difficult trial due to the controversial issue of a woman's right to self-defense against rape and also because of the strong anti-Black

JOHNNY SPAIN SUFFERS IN SAN QUENTIN'S "HOLE"

The following is an open letter sent to THE BLACK PANTHER by San Quentin prison inmate Ruchell Magee to bring to the attention of the public the prison authorities' abuse of Johnny Spain, a member of the Black Panther Party and one of the San Quentin Six.

"People who consider themselves to be humanitarian I believe will support the efforts of myself and others to bring exposure to the injustice subjected the prisoners in the A/C (Adjustment Center), particularly Brother Johnny Spain. Brother Spain is one of the San Quentin

Six who are being exposed to much political repression — yet they still fight back to break their fetters.

"In this hell hole many of the prisoners are held to suffer both mentally and physically, while at the same time being denied proper medical treatment for injuries. I've called for the news media and the people to witness this dehumanization pit, but the CDC (California Department of Corrections) and the courts have ruled that the press not be permitted to interview prisoners in the Adjustment Centers.

"No one inside this hole can determine what exactly caused Brother Spain to lose approximately 45 pounds of weight! The CDC hospital agents tell us that it's not abnormal but any sane person knows the loss of 45 pounds is not normal. Whatever, we know that the CDC has done little or nothing to prevent the brother from losing his health. These pills they (pigs) issue to prisoners who complain of injuries offer Brother Spain no relief; the loss of weight so rapidly is self-evident.

WHAT HE NEEDS

"What Brother Spain needs from the people are:

"(1) Written declarations to the San Quentin Prison Warden, Kenneth Britt, with copies of those declarations sent to Senators and Congressmen, clearly demonstrating their concern for all prisoners and demanding that Brother Spain be taken out of the A/C and placed in the hospital for proper medical care, and

"(2) Demands that Warden Britt and CDC Director Procunier appear publicly to admit or deny that they ordered Brother Spain not be placed in the hospital on their speculative advice that he's a "security risk" and would be all right later, covering the fact that their so-called medical professionals are not practicing medicine; admit or deny that they have manipulated administrative power within the prison to refuse the Brother hospitalization; admit or deny these things in the face of the fact that Brother Spain has had two operations since October 25, 1974 without being hospitalized on either occasion.

"I have witnessed Brother Spain taken outside his cell three times within one week to talk to the so-called doctors and thereafter returned 35 or 45 minutes later with pills, pills and more pills." □

FREE BOOKS FOR PRISONERS PROGRAM

(New York, N.Y.) - Seize the Time Bookstore here has implemented a Free Books for Prisoners Program to meet the mounting needs of inmates for relevant reading material.

Book requests from interested inmates should contain his or her name, address and any information necessary to insure receipt of the books.

The program is sustained by community donations, which cover the cost of the books and their mailing. Donations to support this program should be made payable to FREE BOOKS FOR PRISONERS, and sent to:

SEIZE THE TIME BOOKS & RECORDS STORE
2545 BROADWAY
NEW YORK, N.Y. 10025



EVENING OF JAZZ TO BENEFIT CHILDREN, PRISONERS

(New York, N.Y.) - Seize The Time Book and Record Store will hold its second Evening of Jazz, free to the community, on Monday, November 18, at 7:30 p.m. to provide free books for children and free books for prisoners.

To be held at P.S. 75 (use entrance on 96th Street between West End Avenue and Riverside Drive), the program will include a film presentation by Ernie Smith, a contributor to The Black Book (a book about various aspects of the lives of Black people) and a foremost amateur collector of the history of jazz on film, from Bessie Smith on.

Live performances by jazz greats Cedar Walton, Lonnie Liston Smith, Lonnie Hillyer and Dick Griffin will also be featured.

The affair will open with a demonstration of the martial arts by the Walter Tigner Bamboo Karate Dojo.

Admission is free and all contributions will go to the purchase and distribution of books for prisoners through the Free Books For Prisoners Program and the purchase and distribution of books for children through the Free Books For Children Program.

For further information contact: Seize The Time Books and Records, 2545 Broadway, New York, N.Y., 10025. Phone: (212) 665-5340.

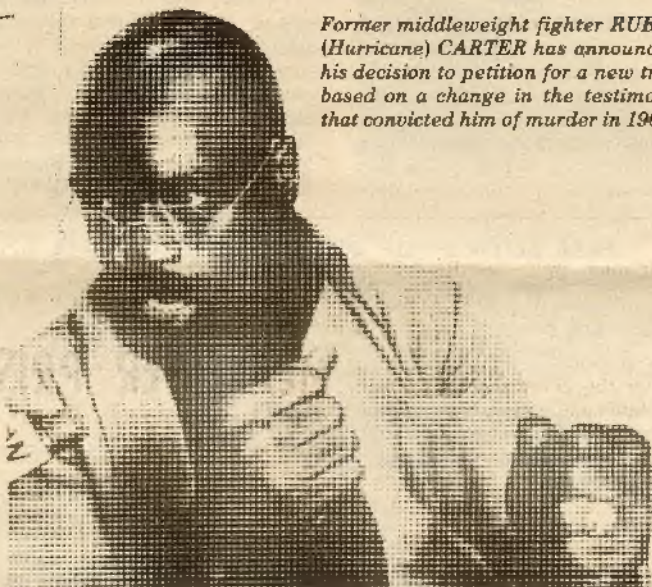
DECISION AWAITED ON RUBIN CARTER MURDER RETRIAL

WITNESSES ADMIT LYING AGAINST FORMER BOXER

(Jersey City, N.J.) — An appeal by Rubin (Hurricane) Carter for a new trial on triple murder charges ended last week with the presiding judge reserving decision, reports *The New York Times*.

Citing testimony from two principal witnesses who recanted (withdrew) their "positive" identification of Brother Carter, 37, a former high-ranking middleweight boxer and antipoverty worker, and his co-defendant, John Artis, a defense lawyer summed up by declaring that this new evidence "would probably change a jury's verdict if a new trial was granted."

Brother Carter charged that he was framed by police and prosecution officials because of his militant stand on civil rights in Paterson, New Jersey, site of serious Black rebellion in 1966.



Former middleweight fighter RUBIN (Hurricane) CARTER has announced his decision to petition for a new trial based on a change in the testimony that convicted him of murder in 1967.

TRIPLE MURDER

The triple murder case began at 2:30 a.m., on June 17, 1966, when two Black men, one armed with a shotgun and the other with a pistol, allegedly walked into the Lafayette Grill in Paterson and shot and killed three White men.

Brothers Carter and Artis were later picked up and indicted for the murders, when Alfred P. Bello and Arthur D. Bradley, two Whites, implicated them in signed statements.

The two White men claimed in a 1967 trial that while they were trying to break into a factory, which was two blocks away from the Lafayette Grill, they saw the two brothers leave the tavern with guns in their hands.

TESTIMONY

Bello and Bradley provided the only eyewitness identifications and based on their testimony, Brothers Carter and Artis were each convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment.

But recently in separate sworn statements, and each without knowledge of the other, Bradley and Bello recanted their identifications and said they had been pressured by detectives from the Passaic County prosecutor's office into lying. Their recantations led to the hearing for a new trial.

At the hearing defense lawyers brought out the following points:

1. That Bello and Bradley lied at the 1967 trial. Bello said he was "uncertain, confused and sick" at that time and had been influenced by the prospect of a \$10,500 reward. Bradley explained he was facing an 80-year prison term on robbery charges

and felt he could get a lighter sentence if he "made up a story."

2. Both witnesses said detectives had "suggested" how they should testify.

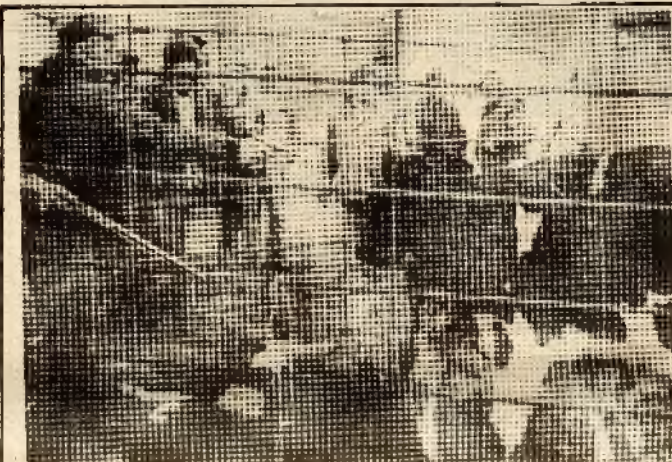
3. A "deal" was made by the prosecutor's office to get Bradley a reduced sentence and not to press criminal charges against Bello.

4. The all-White jury that convicted Brothers Carter and

Artis was unaware of the promises made by the prosecution to their major witnesses.

5. A statement and a tape recording in which Bello seemed unsure of his identifications were withheld from defense lawyers at the murder trial.

State Superior Court Judge Samuel A. Lerner, who also presided over the murder trial, gave no indication of how soon he would rule on the new trial. □



FARMERS SLAUGHTER COWS, HOGS, SHEEP

(Pillager, Minn.) — Following the example set by their Wisconsin cohorts, livestock producers and dairy farmers from Minnesota and North Dakota slaughtered more than 300 head of cattle, hogs and sheep, and dumped their remains into a ten-foot-deep trench on the David Ondris farm six miles east of Pillager.

The slaughters were started last month by the National Farmers Organization in Wisconsin as protests designed to reduce the supply of animals and force prices up.

Harold Gollner, a spokesman for the group said, "We don't like to do this but it will keep happening until farmers receive production costs and reasonable living costs from their animals."

PEOPLE'S PERSPECTIVE

YOUTHS' RELEASE UPHELD

(New York, N.Y.) — The Second Circuit Court of Appeals has unanimously upheld a federal district judge who released 280 convicted youths last June because they had been sentenced to four years in a reformatory for misdemeanors that would have brought adults only up to a year in prison. The District Court Judge, Morris E. Lasker had ruled that the longer, uniform reformatory sentences were un-Constitutional because they denied the young men, aged 16 to 21, equal protection of the law under the 14th Amendment.

INMATES CAN SUE

(San Francisco, Calif.) — The California Supreme Court has ruled in a 4-to-3 decision that prisoners who are held in custody past their release date can now sue for false imprisonment. Justice Mathew O. Tobriner said that under the law a man is no longer considered a prisoner once his sentence has ended, so officials can no longer invoke a state law that protects them from lawsuits by inmates.

PRISONER SHOT

(Reidsville Ga.) — One prisoner was shot to death by a guard at Reidsville State Prison last week when inmates refused to go to work in a protest against living conditions, medical services and other grievances including hair length. Four other prisoners received wounds from shotgun pellets during the incident.

TOMBS RULING

(New York, N.Y.) — A U.S. Court of Appeal has upheld a federal trial judge's decision that conditions at the Manhattan House of Detention for Men, the Tombs, deprived inmates of "their fundamental Constitutional rights." But the appellate court directed Judge Morris E. Lasker to refashion his ruling of July 11 in which he ordered the city to close the jail unless it came up with plans to improve the facility. The appeals court gave as a reason the "financial woes" of the city and the "substantial physical changes" that would have been required under the original order.

CASE FLIMSY AGAINST CHICANO LEAVENWORTH BROTHERS

(Wichita, Kansas) - Government witnesses disagreed as to who assaulted a guard in the second week of a trial involving the two Chicano Leavenworth Brothers, Jesse Lopez and Armando Miramon, states a press release by the Leavenworth Brothers Offense/Defense Committee. Miramon and Lopez are charged with aiding and abetting a kidnapping of four prison employees during a rebellion at Leavenworth Federal Penitentiary in July, 1973. Miramon is also charged with assaulting a guard.

Ken Holcomb, M.E. Berry, John Mitchell, and Richard Williams were the four employees taken hostage and each testified differently as to whether Miramon kicked Holcomb in the ribs while they were being held in the laundry.

KICKED

Holcomb said he was kicked shortly after being pulled into the laundry by William Hurst and several hooded inmates. He said that they were told to lay down on their stomachs and he was on all fours in the process of doing that when Miramon, who was not wearing a mask, kicked him.

Berry stated Holcomb was kicked by "someone." Mitchell said he didn't see the kicking and that Miramon had a mask on for the first hour in the laundry. It wasn't until all of them had been turned over on their backs that he took it off, he said.

Williams stated that it was someone with a white hood and he didn't know if it was Miramon. Miramon kept his hood on for two hours, he said.

When Holcomb began his testimony he identified Lopez as Miramon. He corrected himself later when Monti Belot, government prosecutor asked him, "Are you sure he is Miramon?"

Holcomb also said that Hurst and Miramon, from the way they were talking did not know each other. Berry stated that the first time he saw Miramon was inside the laundry.

William Hurst, the only White Leavenworth Brother who would have been a defendant in this trial, was found dead in his cell in Wyandotte County Jail on May 8, 1974. He would also have been a key witness for both Lopez and Miramon. His body was taken away before an autopsy could be done.

All four hostages agreed to the character of Hurst and Miramon. They described them both as being good to them.

The four stated that when Williams began having trouble breathing after being on his stomach for 45 minutes, Hurst turned him over. Eventually, all were turned over and made more comfortable. One of the hostages was untied. Later, Hurst brought them chairs, cigarettes and coffee.

Miramon was described as being quiet, stable, calm, soft-spoken, and he never made threats. Hurst acted as the spokesperson.

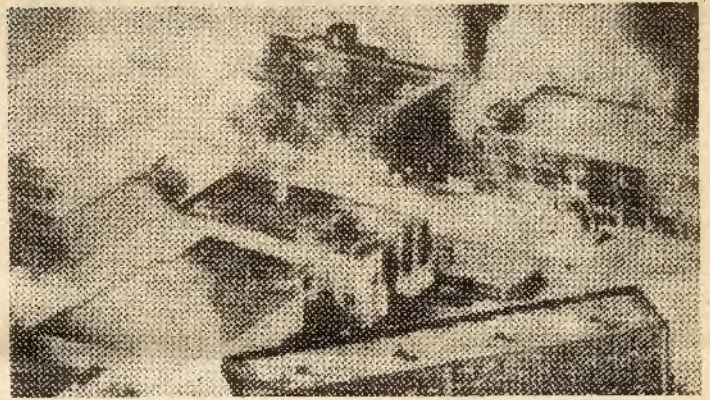
After the government's opening statement, defense attorney Antonio Rodriguez asked for a directed verdict of acquittal due to lack of evidence on Jesse Lopez. The motion was denied by Judge Frank Theis. Through the rest of the week, the only testimony against Lopez was stricken from the record as hearsay. The testimony came from Holcomb who said that Hurst had told him that Lopez told him to take hostages.

C.W. Vanderslice, associate warden, testified that he met Lopez in his office at about 2:00 p.m. July 31. Lopez had been taken out of his cell by riot equipped guards to act as a mediator between the prisoners and the warden in order to set up a grievance committee. Hurst had requested him.

Vanderslice stated that Lopez talked about the inadequate medical care, indiscriminate lock-up of prisoners in isolation and the lack of witnesses and legal representatives at "good time" forfeiture hearings. He said a number of other grievances were aired at the later meeting with the nine member multi-racial grievance committee.

Lopez was also denied the right to make an opening statement or question witnesses. Judge Theis first stated he hadn't given Lopez

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McAlester Prison in flames as a result of 1973 inmate rebellion.

McALESTER PRISONERS BURN DOWN ISOLATION UNIT

(McAlester, Okla.) - Gunned by flames, McAlester Prison's disciplinary isolation unit - the "Rock" - was destroyed on Saturday, October 19, when prisoners confined there set fire to it after taking two guards hostage.

Prisoner's actions continued through Sunday, protesting policies here that have left five prisoners dead in the last three months, and others brutally beaten, stabbed and gassed.

The 48-cell maximum security wing of Oklahoma's only maximum security prison "was burned out and the roof caved in," said a McAlester firefighter. About \$1 million worth of damages are estimated. No injuries due to the fire were reported, according to *Liberation News Service*.

The Saturday uprising at the Rock, which housed 43 people, has been called by Corrections Director Russell Lash an attempt to "seize control of the prison and embarrass the administration."

After disarming a guard and setting fire to mattresses and paper, the prisoners went outside and stretched out on the ground. Riot police then surrounded

them, beating them with billy clubs. It has been reported that Lash himself - who had been making a routine inspection of the Rock but quickly left when faced with a gun - participated in the beatings. (Lash has been under fire from prisoner and community groups alike, especially since the ousting of former Warden Harold Wilson, whose policies were considered too liberal by prison administrators.)

When the prisoners were confined to a 140-cell building Saturday night, many housed two to a cell, others protests took place, including smaller sporadic fires. Officials responded by splitting up the group of activist prisoners and attacking them with teargas in their cells.

"We've got a bunch of inmate leaders in here who are not through yet," warned one prisoner.

Most of the 43 prisoners in the Rock had been sent there because of their activism in Black, Indian and other prison groups, and because they are "personally disliked" by prison officials, explains Jim Goodridge, executive director of Help Our Prisoners Exist (HOPE), a prison support group.

Guards now claim they will have to use even more authority, "possibly using guns and clubs."

Routine brutality has long been a grievance - in fact, the object of ongoing protests. Only a week before the destruction of the Rock, a group of prisoners broke out of their cells in protest of one prisoner's confinement to the Rock.

"I think everybody who works there knows the tensions are high and have been for some time," noted Representative David Riggs of Tulsa.

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WHITE PANTHER PARTY CHARGES POLITICAL PERSECUTION AND DENIAL OF RIGHTS

(San Francisco, Calif.) — The White Panther Party (WPP) has charged the municipal courts here with systematically denying WPP members their Constitutional right to act as their own counsel in criminal court proceedings.

In a recent interview with THE BLACK PANTHER, WPP member Tom Stevens said that the court's violation of this Constitutional right, coupled with repeated false arrests by the San Francisco Police Department (SFPD) has resulted in numerous WPP court cases involving expensive legal fees.

Stevens said that during the past six months there have been 26 arrests involving WPP members, mostly on felony charges which are usually dropped before they reach the trial stage. The false arrests are a form of harassment against the WPP, Stevens explained, adding that the SFPD is afraid to follow up in court because of the complete fabrication of the charges.

Stevens himself was twice denied the right to self-representation when charged with operating an amplifier (for a loud speaker) without a permit. The judge in the case, Thomas Hanlon, finally granted Stevens his Constitutional right after receiving a letter from Stevens explaining why he should be allowed to defend himself.

Another WPP member, Zigmunt D. Denver, was present in a WPP facility raided by the SFPD on August 13 and was charged with carrying a concealed weapon. The WPP maintains that the charge was made up to excuse the fact that the police broke Denver's nose during the raid.

Denied the right to defend himself when his case came to court, Denver is now a fugitive from justice, Stevens said, because of his refusal to accept a lawyer who may not have his true interests at heart.

In a legal brief, Denver states:

"While the denial of my right to defend myself continues, you understand that it is not possible (for me) to appear in person. I will agree to continue this case once assured my right to defend myself with the assistance of counsel, and to be free of threat of any force for asserting my rights."

A WPP statement on Denver's case declares: "Lawyers are no doubt helpful in assuring that the

rights of (the criminally charged) are protected. But in cases of honest people facing fascist terror they (lawyers) are neither by education nor by practical experience better able to defend cases than some defendants. Furthermore, the image of the silent defendant saying nothing during his trial and letting a smart lawyer argue for him is harmful to a defendant's chances for acquittal." □

SISTER ATTACKED

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feelings in eastern North Carolina, where Beaufort County is located. Her lawyers' first motion to have the trial moved to another county was denied because North Carolina law only permits transfer to an adjoining county in eastern North Carolina, which would have the same racial attitudes as Beaufort County. The lawyers are planning to appeal this denial and to test the Constitutionality of the state law.



The White Panther Party operates a food cooperative.

Sister Little needs widespread community support if she is to win acquittal. Anyone wishing to write her may do so at 1034 Bragg Street, Raleigh, North Carolina 27610. Also, her defense lawyers, who are working for free, estimate that an adequate legal defense will cost at least \$20,000. Contributions may be sent to the Joanne Little Defense Fund, P.O. Box 1003, Durham, North Carolina 27702.

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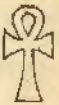
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OUR HEALTH



FEMININE PRODUCTS— MORE HARM THAN CHARM CONCLUSION

Part 1 of this column last week warned women against the use of feminine hygiene products that can cause physical harm to their bodies.

What's more, they are not even necessary.

Doctors report that vaginal odor is not abnormal. It is important for a woman to remember that her vagina is supposed to be moist. This moisture acts as a lubricant. A dry vagina is normal only for children and elderly women.

Many pregnant women and women taking birth control pills or estrogen experience increased vaginal itching and discharge problems. The reason for this is that the texture, acidity of the vagina is changed by pregnancy or the introduction of oral contraceptives, and fungus-type organisms can develop.

Doctors rarely found yeast infections until birth control pills came on the market. Now, nearly one-third of all women taking oral contraceptives have periodic yeast infections.

Another cause of vaginal odor comes from the wearing of pantyhose and nylon panties. Excessive perspiration and odor are the natural results of wearing these garments.

Women who wear pantyhose should wear cotton panties under them for better absorption of perspiration and remove the pantyhose as soon as possible. As in the case of bathing, mild, nonperfumed, nondetergent soaps should be used to launder pantyhose and panties.

Shaving the hair around the genital area when wearing bikinis is also harmful because this hair is needed to protect the skin from tight friction and overstimulation of the area's sweat glands.

Women with a total understanding of how their bodies work will not be deceived by the advertising promoting the use of artificial feminine hygiene products. The less you worry about products labeled "for feminine hygiene" the better off you are.

KISSINGER A LONG-TIME DEFENDER OF ROCKEFELLER INTERESTS

(New York, N.Y.) — If Nelson A. Rockefeller manages to win confirmation as Vice-President of the United States, a great deal of the credit can be given to the behind-the-scenes activities of Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, a Rockefeller protege and confidant who has been writing foreign policy for 25 years to protect the Rockefeller empire, particularly in Southeast Asia.

Kissinger has served in Rockefeller's employ as "foreign policy advisor" and as a consultant for the Rockefeller-dominated Council on Foreign Relations. Recently he married a Rockefeller administrative and policy advisor, Nancy Magrines.

A proven, dangerous foe of the right of Third World people to self-determination (see article, page 3), Kissinger is only the latest in a series of dummy secretaries of state to implement the exploitative foreign policy concerns of the Rockefellers.

The Rockefeller connection in the State Department began with Dean Acheson, a top Rockefeller corporate lawyer who was Secretary of State under Harry Truman. After Acheson came John Foster Dulles, another lawyer for the Rockefeller empire and president of the Rockefeller Foundation. Dean Rusk, secretary of state in the Kennedy and Johnson administrations, was another president of the Rockefeller Foundation.

The Rockefellers began to forge their Southeast Asia policy in 1956 when Nelson's brother, John D. Rockefeller III, founded the Asia Society in 1956. In 1957 he invited then South Vietnamese President Ngo Dinh Diem, U.S. puppet ruler later assassinated by the U.S., to America.

According to P.D. Scott's book, *Remaking Asia*, Diem's trip began with "a luncheon given in his honor by John D. . . and ended with a demonstration of oil production in Los Angeles at the plant of General Petroleum, a . . . subsidiary of (the Rockefeller) Socony Mobile."

BOOK WORM

In 1956, Kissinger, then a little-known Harvard bookworm, became director of the Special Studies Project, a program of the Rockefeller Brothers Fund, a "charitable" organization that, besides giving away money, has great political influence.

The project, headed by Nelson Rockefeller himself until May,

1958, when he ran for governor of New York, was composed of over 100 people gathered to study and report on "specific areas of national life," including military preparedness and foreign policy.

Two years before the formation of the revolutionary National Liberation Front (NLF) in North Vietnam in 1963 a Rockefeller Brothers Fund report prepared under the direction of Kissinger indicated the Rockefeller family's and therefore Kissinger's readiness to intervene in South Vietnam.

According to investigative journalist I.F. Stone, the report "(charted) the course of a whole series of Vietnams."

The report called for the establishment of mobile forces "tailored to the gamut of possible limited wars which may range from conflicts involving several countries to minor police actions." It also advocated the use of tactical nuclear weapons, coldly declaring that "the willingness to engage in nuclear war, when necessary, is part of the price of freedom."



ROCKEFELLER (top)
and KISSINGER.

By 1959, the largest U.S. business in South Vietnam was the Standard Vacuum Oil Company, jointly owned by two Rockefeller corporations — Jersey Standard and Mobile. The Chase Manhattan Bank, a Rockefeller conglomerate chaired by David Rockefeller which established branches in South Vietnam, almost doubled its assets in five years during the Vietnam War, from \$12 billion in 1965 to \$23 billion in 1971.

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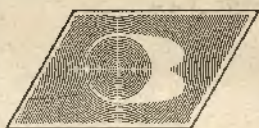
URGES PAY RAISES FOR CALIFORNIA STATE WORKERS

(Washington, D.C.) — Progressive California Congressman Ronald V. Dellums, who last week handily won re-election to a third term in the House of Representatives, has urged Attorney General William B. Saxbe to support pay increases for California state employees.

In a telegram which he sent along with several other members of the California delegation, Dellums pointed out that the increases have received the support of the California legislature, the governor, and the state supreme court. "This reflects California's continuing commitment to wage levels for state employees which will guarantee the highest standards of public services," Congressman Dellums said.

According to Dellums, wage increases for state employees were denied in order to control inflation under the Economic Stabilization Act of 1970. "I anticipated that upon the expiration of that Act on April 30, 1974, our state, like any other employer, would be able to set wage levels as it saw fit," Dellums said in his telegram to the attorney general. He also pointed out that the interpretation of the Act was upheld by the Temporary Emergency Court of Appeals.

The second-term congressman expressed great dismay in learning that the Justice Department is opposing wage increases in the case which is being pressed upon the U.S. Supreme Court. In closing, Dellums stressed his concern over the unjust situation and urged Attorney General Saxbe to refrain from any further opposition to the pay increases.



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O.A.S. TO DROP CUBA SANCTIONS

(Washington, D.C.) — A committee report at the November 6th meeting of representatives to the Organization of American States (OAS) is expected to bring to an end that organization's economic and diplomatic sanctions imposed against Cuba in 1962 and 1964. In addition, it is expected that a resolution will be introduced allowing each individual Latin American country to make up its mind about establishing relations with the revolutionary Fidel Castro government. □

NATIONAL ANTHEM

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that time are limited; all I really remember is what good friends the Russians were.) Since it was debatable whether games should even be played then, owners wanted the veneer of patriotism.

Owners love the practice now, of course, because they can wrap themselves in the American flag, with the subliminal suggestion that not attending games is somehow un-American.

Topflight entertainers are brought in to sing the song, and often the productions are lavish indeed. The results are mixed, to be kind. Some versions have offended the patriots: Jose Feliciano, for instance. Other versions only offend musically. Pearl Bailey sang the National Anthem before one of the A's playoff games, and if she hit three notes dead center, it must have been when the microphone was off.

However it is presented, it is unpalatable. It involves an obvious manipulation of fans' emotions: You will honor the flag.

Even if the song were decent, the mandatory playing of it renders it meaningless. It is simply background music before the start of a game, part of the pregame ritual and of no more importance than the re-enactment of the coin flip or the sweeping off of home plate.

No doubt, some fans find it stirring, but most don't. There is a lot of shuffling of feet by fans who are eager to see the game start, or who are waiting for the song to end so they can buy a beer or go to the john.

The players have often had to be told to stand straight on the sidelines while the infernal thing is being played; at least one football team, the Kansas City Chiefs, has even practiced standing at attention. Of course, few of them think about the song while it is being sung. Their attention is more often focused on what they will do when the game starts, or on the pretty blonde in the third row.

Patriotism is a complex subject. It can't be narrowed to those "America: Love It or Leave It" bumper stickers, or the ritual playing of the National Anthem before every sports event.

Any national song, whether it is "The Star-Spangled Banner" or a more suitable replacement, should be limited to those situations where it has some meaning. In sports, that means only international competition, such as Davis Cup matches. The current practice is farcical. □

For many Black athletes, the playing of the National Anthem at both international and national sports events is farcical.



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THE COMMITTEE FOR JUSTICE FOR HUEY P. NEWTON is an independent citizens' group made up of a cross-section of attorneys, clergy, students, political activists, and other concerned citizens. The Committee, which was formed in August, 1974, is pressing for a full investigation into the intensifying pattern of attacks by police and federal authorities against Huey P. Newton and the Black Panther Party. For further information contact THE COMMITTEE FOR JUSTICE FOR HUEY P. NEWTON, c/o Community Learning Center, 6118 E. 14th Street, Oakland, California 94621, or call (415) 562-5261.

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McALESTER PRISONERS

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In the last three months, five prisoners have been brutally killed. Two of the cases were reported by guards as "suicides." But on September 28, three prisoners were charged with one of the killings, and the other "suicide" is currently under investigation.

Also on September 28, the same day that both a Black and an Indian activist prisoner were beaten, prisoners boycotted the mess hall — the scene of a number of killings and continual harassment of prisoners.

A full scale investigation of the Oklahoma State Penitentiary has been authorized by the Justice Department, federal officials announced on October 28. The inquiry stems primarily from the killing last May of prisoner Robert Forsythe, who was gassed to death in his cell in the Rock. Other murders and brutality will also be looked into when a federal grand jury convenes this month.

U.S. District Court Judge Luther Bohanon issued an order last May 30 to end what he called widespread violations of the Constitutional rights of prisoners and he is "not satisfied the state of Oklahoma is in strict compliance with my orders." Earlier, he threatened to take federal control of the prison if the state corrections department didn't comply. □

LEAVENWORTH

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co-counsel status, then couldn't remember if he had or not.

As in the first trial with the four Black Leavenworth Brothers, a bomb threat was called in to the Post Office on Friday of last week. The caller said that "someone who doesn't like what's going on has planted a bomb in the post office." A ticking package that registered having metal in it was found and the post office was evacuated. The package was later found to have a watch and several articles of clothing in it.

Lynn Unruh, spokesperson for the Leavenworth Brothers Offense/Defense Committee said, "The incident happened at the same point in the last trial. The prosecution had started testimony with several witnesses who contradicted each other. The trials were going well for the defense. Someone who didn't like that tried to scare the jury by a bomb threat. It helped to get a conviction in the last trial because it gave the jurors a negative attitude towards the defense." □

SPEECH DELIVERED AT BOSTON COLLEGE NOVEMBER 18, 1970

BY HUEY P. NEWTON

In Part 3 of his speech delivered at Boston College on November 18, 1970, and excerpted from *To Die For the People*, Brother Huey P. Newton, leader and chief theoretician of the Black Panther Party, points out the analytical principle of dialectical materialism and how by adopting this mode of thinking the Party has been able to approach the liberation struggle from a scientific perspective.

PART 3

When two cultures collide a process or condition occurs which the sociologists call acculturation: the modification of cultures as a result of their contact with each other. Marx called the collision of social forces or classes a contradiction. In the physical world, when forces collide we sometimes call it just that — a collision. For example, when two cars meet head on, trying to occupy the same space at the same time, both are transformed. Sometimes other things happen. Had those two cars been turned back to back and sped off in opposite directions they would not be a contradiction; they would be contrary, covering different spaces at different times.

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Sometimes when people meet they argue and misunderstand each other because they think they are having a contradiction when actually they are only being contrary.

When people argue, when one offers a thesis and the other offers an anti-thesis, we say there is a contradiction and hope that if we argue long enough, provided that we agree on one premise we can have some kind of synthesis. Tonight I hope I can have some form of agreement or synthesis with those who have criticized the Black Panther Party.

I think that the mistake is either that some people have taken the apparent as the actual fact in spite of their claims of scholarly research and following the discipline of dialectical materialism. They fail to search deeper, as the scientist is required to do, to get beyond the apparent and come up with the more significant. Let me explain how this relates to the Black Panther Party.

INTEGRATE

The Black Panther Party is a Marxist-Leninist Party because we follow the dialectical method and we also integrate theory with practice. We are not mechanical Marxists and we are not historical materialists. Some people think they are Marxists when actually they are following the thoughts of Hegel. Some people think they're Marxist-Leninists but they refuse to be creative, and are, therefore, tied to the past. They are tied to a rhetoric that does not apply to the present set of conditions. They are tied to a set of thoughts that

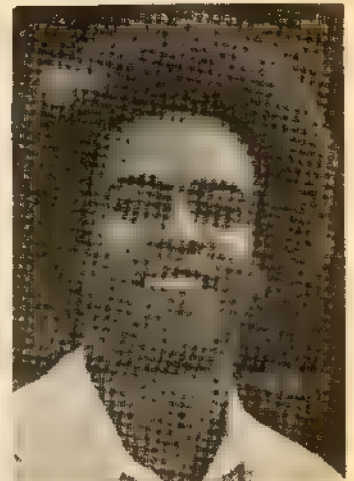
approaches dogma — what we call flunkysm.

Marx attempted to set up a framework which could be applied to a number of conditions. And in applying this framework we cannot be afraid of the outcome because things change and we must be willing to acknowledge that change because we are objective. If we are using the method of dialectical materialism we don't expect to find anything the same even one minute later because "one minute later" is history.

If things are in a constant state of change, we cannot expect them to be the same. Words used to describe old phenomena may be useless to describe the new. And if we use the old words to describe new events we run the risk of confusing people and misleading them into thinking that things are static.

In 1917 an event occurred in the Soviet Union that was called a revolution. Two classes had a contradiction and the whole country was transformed. In this country, 1970, the Black Panther Party issued a document. Eldridge Cleaver stated that neither the proletarians nor the industrial workers carry the potentialities for revolution in this country at this time. He claimed that the left wing of the proletarians, the lumpenproletarians, have that revolutionary potential, and in fact, acting as the vanguard, they would carry the people of the world to the final climax of the transformation of society.

It has been stated by some people, by some parties, by some



Brother HUEY P. NEWTON

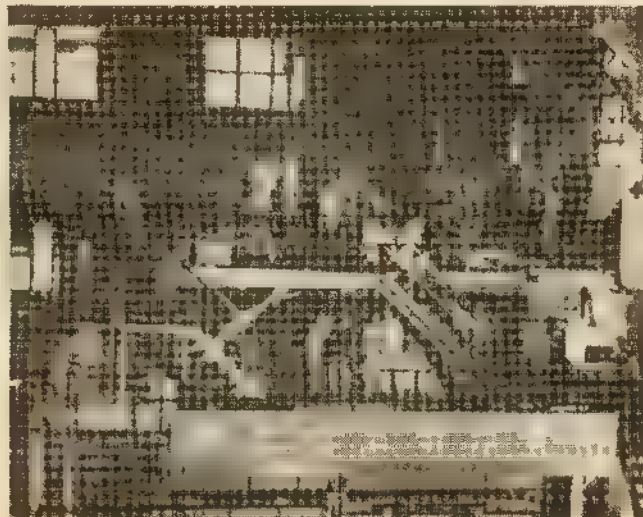
organizations, by the Progressive Labor Party, that revolution is impossible. How can the lumpenproletarians carry out a successful socialist transformation when they are only a minority? And in fact how can they do it when history shows that only the proletarians have carried out a successful social revolution?

I agree that it is necessary for the people who carry out a social revolution to represent the popular majority's interests. It is necessary for this group to represent the broad masses of the people. We analyzed what happened in the Soviet Union in 1917. I also agree that the lumpenproletarians are the minority in this country. No disagreement. Have I contradicted myself? It only goes to show that what's apparent might not actually be a fact. What appears to be a contradiction may be only a paradox. Let's examine this apparent contradiction.

The Soviet Union, in 1917, was basically an agricultural society with a very large peasantry. A set of social conditions existing there at that time was responsible for the development of a small industrial base. The people who worked in this industrial base were called proletarians. Lenin, using Marx's theory, saw the trends.

He was not a historical materialist, but a dialectical materialist, and therefore very interested in the ever-changing status of things. He saw that while the proletarians were a minority in 1917, they had the potential to carry out a revolution because their class was increasing and the peasantry was declining. That was one of the conditions. The proletarians were destined to be a popular force. They also had access to the properties necessary for carrying out a socialist revolution.

TO BE CONTINUED



This huge vacuum refining furnace in the People's Republic of China, designed and made by the Shanghai No. 5 Iron and Steel Plant, is an example of scientific thought put into practice.

OAKLAND SCHOOL SYSTEM UNDERMINES CHILDREN'S CENTER PROGRAM

(Oakland, Calif.) — At a press conference held in their downtown office here last week, representatives of the American Federation of Teachers (AFT), Local 771, have charged the local public school system with "racism and financial waste" in regards to its proposed administrative decisions dealing with the schools' Children's Center program.

Making that accusation was Michael Bradley, AFT business agent and staff organizer, who was joined at the Monday media gathering by Ms. Frances Echols and Ms. Marlen Vogelsang, teachers at two of the 22 Children's Centers in Oakland.

At issue, according to Bradley, are the Oakland Board of Education's proposals to "(1) eliminate the Teacher Assistant position at the Centers, (2) only hire fully credentialed teachers, thus bypassing presently employed Children's Center personnel, including substitutes, with state permits; and (3) not grant a 180-day work year to all Children's Center teachers with valid partial credentials."

He added that, "The elimination of the Teacher Assistant position cuts out the vital step of recognition and financial security that has been available to Black, Chicano and Asian residents of Oakland. This move, coupled with the plan to hire only fully credentialed teachers, means that our students will be deprived of teachers who have experience, background and skills which make a Children's Center program successful."

"The racism is obvious."



Children at the Intercommunal Youth Institute escape the problems of Oakland's public schools

As the Children's Center program is presently constituted, the overwhelming majority of the paraprofessional personnel are Black or other non White people.

Large numbers of concerned parents and community residents have become involved in the functioning of the Children's Centers, beginning at the level of instructional assistants. The program also offers a unique incentive plan, whereby through the attainment of a two-year Associate Arts degree at any of the local junior colleges, instructional assistants become Teacher Assistants. With further education the Teacher Assistants move to the level of teachers with partial credentials and upon the completion of a five-year college plan, can become fully credentialed teachers.

Many Black and minority women have taken advantage of this plan in an effort to secure for themselves and their families greater financial earning power. Now, under the School Board's proposed changes, the Teacher Assistant position will be eliminated, and no one with partial credentials will be allowed to continue their valuable work.

Ironically, in September, a strike by Children's Center personnel, won pay increases for the Teacher Assistants. Also, as Ms. Echols pointed out, state law prohibits the hiring of instructional assistants to replace the Teacher Assistants, and therefore only classified teachers can be employed, thus increasing the cost of the program in the already financially troubled school district. □

DEMOCRATS LANDSLIDE IN CALIFORNIA ELECTIONS

WILL VICTORIES PRODUCE NEEDED CHANGES?

(Oakland, Calif.) — A lack of substantial issues plus widespread voter dissatisfaction with the Republican Party — both in terms of the sordid Watergate affair, whose ugly tentacles stretched deep into the heart of California's Republican leadership, and in relation to their aid-the rich economic policies—resulted in a generally expected Democratic landslide throughout the state last week.

RESULTS

Reviewing the results of last week's state elections reveals no really spectacular upsets or defeats. Light voter turnouts — "Watergate shock," as some analysts called it — characterized most races. Yet, now that the elections are over and the results are in, it is up to those candidates who were victorious to carry out the people's mandate entrusted to them. Will their campaign pledges truly be transformed into a new political reality, providing much needed social and political relief in this troubled land? Or will their grandiose claims remain just empty promises, bitter words which the winds of time will twist and finally evaporate before us?

In California and across the nation, all eyes are now focused upon the Democratic Party to provide real and meaningful changes. Nothing less could satisfy.

STATE RACES

At age 36, Edmund G. (Jerry) Brown, Jr., became the youngest chief executive in California state history and as governor of the country's second largest and most populous state, a prominent national Democratic Party figure Brown brings into office with him a broad base of multi-ethnic support, and among other attributes, signals the end of the conservative, right-wing Ronald Reagan regime. Particularly important will be Brown's use of his political appointee powers, which can potentially send progressive representatives instead of status quo bureaucrats into hundreds of state agencies. An early indication of the next four years under the Brown machine will be the appointments he makes when he takes office in January.

Also in January, Mervyn Dymally will become the state's first Black lieutenant-governor, moving from his post in the state Senate, where ironically, he was also the only Black representative. From the Los Angeles area, Dymally is aware of the particular problems of Black and poor communities. We welcome the victory of this astute politician to a high state post.



Black people have increasingly exercised their Constitutional right to vote during the last decade.

Nothing much needs to be said about the re-election of Evelle Younger as Attorney General. With Reagan gone, Younger becomes the heir apparent for the dirty white sheets job as the unofficial leader for the state's reactionary anti-Black, antipoor people's forces.

OPENING NOVEMBER 19

HEAD START CENTER TO AID WEST OAKLAND

(Oakland, Calif.) - The scheduled opening of this city's fourth Head Start Center in Campbell Village on November 19 will undoubtedly provide a much needed boost to the hopes and aspirations of the deeply oppressed West Oakland Black community.

Directed by Ms. Floretta Chisom, a very active and concerned Black woman who strives wholeheartedly to provide a warm and human atmosphere in which children grow and learn, the Head Start Program is a component of the Oakland Community Action Agency, admirably headed by Brother David Gather.

In an informal interview with THE BLACK PANTHER last week, Ms. Chisom told us that in spite of a denial of increased funding for the seventh consecutive year (the budget stands at \$334,000), this year the local Head Start Program will operate four centers for preschool age children, providing free services for 180 families. (To be eligible, children must be 3 years and 9 months by December 2.)

ON TIME

In the nine months since she became program director, Ms. Chisom readied Head Start to begin functioning on time this fall for the first time in three years. The soon-to-be-opened Campbell Village center will be the Program's first-ever rent-free facility due to an agreement Ms. Chisom reached with the city.

The resourceful Ms. Chisom has also arranged for Head Start's acceptance in the

state's Food Reimbursement Plan, and has secured another agreement for a local dairy to provide much needed dairy products.

In her informative conversation, Ms. Chisom emphasized Head Start's commitment to concrete parental involvement and input in the Program's decision-making process. Besides Parents Advisory Committees for each center site, Ms. Chisom (the mother of three herself) gears Head Start's overall program toward involving parents in all aspects of their children's education, from on-the-site participation to mobilizing community resources.

In addition, Ms. Chisom explained the system of referrals maintained by Head Start. These include a health component providing for medical examinations, visual and hearing tests and dental examinations, a nutrition component, psychological services, and social services personnel who act as strong community advocates in obtaining services from other local agencies for families experiencing difficulties.

The four Head Start Centers in Oakland are at: 1332-98th Avenue; 800 Willow Street; 1800-55th Avenue and 1940-23rd Avenue. Operating with morning and afternoon sessions, each guided by at least one teacher and two teacher's aides — frequently parents, Ms. Chisom says—the centers provide as much individual attention as possible for individual problems. Children who are handicapped or who need special services are handled through Head Start services or are referred to other agencies for special educational and rehabilitative



The education of our children, the hope of our future, must always be of the highest quality

procedures. Self-reliance, self-esteem and self confidence are fostered and encouraged.

The Oakland Community Action Agency will be holding a public election December 11, 1974, to seat three (3) community people on its administering board. Persons over 18 years of age and presently living in one of the three (3) target areas of Oakland are eligible to be a candidate. Nominating petitions are available at three Oakland locations: 7400 E. 14th, 4226 Telegraph and 3940 Foothill Boulevard.

CONGRESSIONAL

The victories of Ron Dellums in the Eighth Congressional District and Fortney (Pete) Stark in the ninth ensures Alameda County residents of more than adequate representation in the U.S. House of Representatives. Dellums' victory in particular is to be applauded.

STATE LEGISLATURE

Once again, Ken Meade and John Miller will voice the needs and desires of Black and poor people in Sacramento. Both have served us admirably in the past and there's every reason to believe that they, like our struggle, will improve with another year's experience.

COUNTY

On the county level, first and foremost we send our congratulations to Brother Rene Davidson upon his election as County Clerk, significantly pulling voters from both north and south county areas. Although Brother Victor James did not take the county sheriff's post, his was a people's victory which cannot be denied.



RON DELLUMS was re-elected to a third term in Congress.

BAY AREA RAPID TRANSIT AND AC TRANSIT

The sweeping triumphs of Sister Ella Hill Hutch to the San Francisco Bay Area Rapid Transit (BART) Board and Brother Chester McGuire to the AC Transit Board introduces a badly needed injection of people's politics into these agencies. We wish them both the best of luck.

MEASURES

Four victories and three defeats are the result in the voting on major state wide measures, as Californians, as a whole, restored voting privileges to certain ex-felons (Proposition 10) but rejected repealing the requirement that makes the development of low-rent public housing projects conditional upon approval of local elections (Proposition 15). Hotly-debated, Proposition 17 was also rejected, spelling the defeat for environmentalists at the hands of a vicious false advertising campaign. On the positive side, California voters favored shortening the term and changing the membership of the University of California Board of Regents and likewise approved changing terms in the state constitution from the masculine gender to refer instead to "person."

DIRECTORY OF PUBLIC AND SOCIAL SERVICES IN OAKLAND

(Oakland, Calif.) - As a service to our local readers, the staff of **THE BLACK PANTHER** has compiled this directory of Oakland public services.

All too often, the limited public and social services of large metropolitan cities go hidden and unknown to vast numbers of their citizens, particularly Black and poor people. It is the view of **THE BLACK PANTHER**, however, that a well-informed community is a more conscious community — conscious of today's political realities and of the means to go about getting those things required in their interests. It is in this spirit that this Oakland Directory is being printed.

We urge other communities around the country to compile local public service information on their city and send it to us for publication. Out of consciousness grows unity.

Street Lights

If a street light is out on your block or if you would like to arrange to have a street light put in, call the city Electrical Department at 273-3331.

Abandoned Car

If you would like an abandoned car in your neighborhood removed, call the police radio dispatch at 273-3481.

Trash Collection

If you have problems or complaints concerning trash collection, call the Office of Public Works at 635-2090. Ask for Ralph Williams.

Street Cleaning

Did the street cleaners forget your block again? Did they do a sloppy job? Call the Office of Public Works at 635-2090.

Fallen Trees

To remove a fallen tree from your property or to avert a nasty situation if one falls, call the Parks Department Tree Service at 635-2050. Ask for extension 291.

Blackouts

If the lights go out on your block, call Pacific Gas and Electric Company (P G & E.) at 835-9500.

Live Wires

Is that a live wire on the ground dangerously easy to touch? Call the Fire Alarm immediately at 273-3331.

Water Main Burst

If a water main bursts on your block or near your home, call the East Bay Municipal Utilities District at 835-3000.

Sewage

Sewage bad? Backed up almost to your door? Call the Office of Public Works at 635-2090.

Street Signs & Parking Meters

For street sign and parking meter repair, call 273-3466.

Traffic Signal Repair

Does that red light never turn green? For traffic signal repair, call 273-3331.

Weed Abatement

Are those creeping weeds getting closer all the time? Call the Oakland Weed Abatement program, 635-2090.

Dead or Injured Animals

For dead animal removal or injured animal care, call Animal Control at 273-3563 between 8:00 a.m. to 4:40 p.m. During off hours, call 273-3481.

Unemployment

If you need information concerning unemployment benefits or compensation, call 464-0764.

Welfare

For problems regarding the Welfare Department or for information regarding food stamps, call the Welfare Department main office at 874-6114 or call branch offices at:
401 Broadway..... 874-5531
4340 Bond St. 874-6052
7800 MacArthur Blvd. 635-2100
4501 Broadway, 874-7161

Consumer Protection

For shady business deals and other consumer protection information call the Better Business Bureau at 839-5900.

Air Pollution

To help protect our community from unsafe industrial wastes in the air or from whatever source, call the Ecology Switchboard at 548-2220.

Voter Registration

Register to Vote NOW! For voter registration and information, call the Alameda County Voter Registration Office at 874-6361.

Birth and Death Certificates

For copies of birth and death certificates call the County Recorder at 874-6395.

Drivers License

For motor vehicles information and driver's license cards, call the main office of the Department of Motor Vehicles at 464-1157 or the Oakland-Coliseum Office at 568-0691. For information on non driver identification cards call 464-1155.

Oakland City Offices

The following numbers can be called for particular Oakland city government offices.

Mayor's Office - 273-3141
City Manager 273-3301
City Attorney - 273-3601
City Clerk 273-3611
City Council - 273-3266
Oakland Redevelopment Agency - 834-2010
Oakland Housing Authority - 839-6200
Oakland Civil Service (Personnel) - 273-3111
Public Information - 273-3301
City Hall Switchboard 273-9000
Chief Telephone Operator - 273-3001
Oakland Parks & Recreation Department - 273-3296
Oakland Public Library (main branch) 273-2222
Oakland Charities Commission 273-3611

Community Action Program

The city of Oakland runs a Community Action Program (CAP) as part of the local implementation of the federal poverty program. The main number for the Community Action Program is 839-8810. Other CAP-sponsored programs are:

Golden State Business League -- 635-5900 (Youth Training)

Oakland Rehab, Inc. -- 465-9912

Senior Action Project - 832-8542
(The city of Oakland Senior Citizens program run by the Parks and Recreation Dept., can be contacted at 273-3296.)

Children Vision Center 832-8221

24-Hour Parent Center
Child Care -- 261-0196

Head Start -- 839-8810

Urban Out Reach 635-8376

Manpower

The city of Oakland hosts a number of adult and youth employment programs. You can find out more about the following programs by calling Manpower, the coordinating research arm for the programs, at 839-3880. Among the Manpower programs are:

Neighborhood Youth Corps -- 836-2622 (In-School)

Neighborhood Youth Corps -- 273-3181 (Out-of-School)

Urban League On-The-Job Training 922-5050

East Bay Skills Center -- 658-7356

Project Intercept 538-2274
(For first offenders)

Fire & Police Department

To report a fire and other Fire Department emergencies, call 444-1616; for non-emergencies call 444-3322. For Police Department emergencies call 273-3211; for non-emergencies and general information, call 273-9000.

Oakland Public Schools

In order to contact the Oakland Unified School District, call them at 836-2622.

Social Security

For information concerning the social security administration, eligibility or related concerns, call the Social Security Administration at 548-7950.

Suicide Prevention

Feeling down and Out? Call 849-2212 and smile again.

Poison

For poison information, call Children's Hospital Emergency, 654-5600.

Hospitals

The following hospitals are all located in the city of Oakland. They are all public hospitals.

Brookdale General Hospital	535-1664
Children's Hospital	654-5600
Civic Center Hospital	655-8727
Everette Gladman	536-8111
Highland Hospital	534-8055
(Call Highland Hospital anywhere in Oakland for 24 hour emergency service)	
Kaiser Hospital	645-5000
Merritt Hospital	655-4000
Oakland Hospital	532-3300
Peralta Hospital	451-4980
Providence Hospital	835-4500
Naval Hospital (Oak Knoll)	639-2411

Oakland Media

The beat goes on well-informed consciousness-unity. If you have information concerning the happenings in your community, call the following Oakland media and let the people know.

THE BLACK PANTHER	638-0195
Oakland Tribune	645-2442
California Voice	839-9212
Oakland Post	763-1120
Montclair	339-8777
KDIA	854-4329
KABI	261-0867
KNEW	836-0910
KTVU	834-2000

Intercommunal News

TOWARD A "NEW MOZAMBIQUE"

BY SAMORA MACHEL

PART 3

The creation in September of an interim government in Mozambique, led by Black militants of FRELIMO (Front for the Liberation of Mozambique), was inspiration for freedom-loving and oppressed peoples throughout the world. At the installation ceremonies of the new leaders in Lourenco Marques, Samora Machel read a speech on the nature and structure of the "new Mozambique" society after 400 years of Portuguese domination and exploitation.

This week THE BLACK PANTHER proudly presents Part 3 of the full text of Comrade Machel's revolutionary speech, reprinted from the Daily News of Tanzania.

Decolonization does not mean the geographical transfer of the decision-making centers from Lisbon to Lourenco Marques, which the deposed regime was in fact already proposing to do, and neither is it the continuation of the oppressive regime, this time with Black-skinned rulers, which is the neocolonial pattern.

To decolonize the State means essentially to dismantle the political, administrative, cultural, financial, economic, educational, juridical and other systems which as an integral part of the colonial State, were solely designed to impose foreign domination and the will of the exploiters on the masses.

In this, although we can seek inspiration and stimulation from the revolutionary experience of other peoples, we shall build on the foundation of our own originality, basing ourselves on the specific conditions of our country. We shall thus also enrich the revolutionary heritage of humanity, a duty we have been fulfilling over these hard years of struggle.

The decisive factor for our success is the unity of our people from the Ruyuma to the Maputo. The enemy rose and will always rise against this unity: yesterday's colonialism and today's reactionaries and imperialists, exploiters from every race.

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16,000 RALLY FOR PUERTO RICAN INDEPENDENCE

(New York, N.Y.) - Virtually every oppressed group in the U.S. was represented at the October 27 Puerto Rican Solidarity Day rally, held in New York's Madison Square Garden, where an array of militant speakers and political entertainers aroused a crowd of more than 16,000 supporters of Puerto Rican independence to cheer, chant, shout and raise their fists in solidarity with the oppressed population of this Caribbean island controlled by the United States.

Secretary General Juan Mari Bras of the Puerto Rican Socialist Party called the event "a beautiful expression of militant solidarity." Bras, the featured speaker, received thunderous applause when he denounced the "clique of lackeys" who rule Puerto Rico, which has seen nearly half its five million people come to the U.S. in search of work they never find in one of the largest forced migrations in history.

The rally was called to draw attention to a 1973 United Nations resolution in the world body which held that the island of Puerto Rico was, in fact, "a colony of the United States" and called for support for the Puerto Rico people's right to independence and self-determination. The themes for the October 27 Madison Square Garden rally were: "Independence for Puerto Rico!" and "A Bi-Centennial without Colonies!"

Bras outlined the severity of U.S. domination of his country's

laws, land, resources, factories, public institutions and media, and the similar superexploitation of Puerto Rican people in the U.S.

"In Puerto Rico," he said, "all forms of colonial exploitation prevail, from the primitive traffic in slaves in its modern version which is the massive flow of migrant workers—through the classical forms of exploitation of the natural resources and labor force and monopoly of the captive market, to that new manifestation of imperialist aggression which in Puerto Rico we have named environmental colonialism!"

Bras was referring to the huge superport the U.S. plans to build on the island to take advantage of its deep harbor. "They plan," said Bras, "to convert the island into a station for the shipping of oil, a center of the most polluting and burdensome phases of the petroleum, petrochemical and chemical industries, exporting to our soil all of the poison and pollution which is deadly to human, vegetable and animal life."

The audience clapped in time with the rhythms of the Puerto Rican entertainers who included. El Grupo Taone, a group known for its songs of protest; Lucrecia Benitez, an internationally acclaimed singer, and Ray Barreto and his Orchestra, a popular Puerto Rican dance band.

Other entertainers were Pete Seeger, with whom the audience sang the Cuban song "Guantanamera"; Mabel Hillary, a South-



An enthusiastic crowd cheers during a mass rally for Puerto Rican independence in New York City.

ern freedomsinger; Holly Near, who sang the powerful "No More Genocide in My Name," and Chris Iyima and Joann Miyamoto, Asian singers who sang the moving verses: "If I advance in the struggle, follow me; if I fall back, push me forward; if I betray the cause, kill me."

Among the Puerto Rican speakers was author Piri Thomas, who acted as master of ceremonies, Pedro Albizu Meneses, executive secretary of the Puerto Rican Peace Council and son of the nationalist hero, Pedro Albizu Campos, Miquel Angel Suarez, a well known actor on Puerto Rican television, and Geraldo Rivera, a television news reporter for station ABC.

The rally also heard from Native Americans Russell Means, national leader of the American Indian Movement, Chief Philip Deer, and the Wounded Knee Traditional Drum and Song Group. Means noted that all oppressed peoples, from Hawaiians to Micronesians to Puerto Ricans are "demanding liberation from General Ford." The entire audience, on request by Means, rose for the playing of the drums and a dance in respect for all fallen warriors.

Other speakers included: Ousou Sadaukai, former chairman of the African Liberation Support Committee; Virginia Collins of the Republic of New Africa; Arthur Burghardt Banks, Black actor and playwright; Ella Baker, a Black activist who spoke for James Forman; Angela Davis; Irwin Siller, *Guardian* editor; Jane Fonda; Helen Sobell, activist and wife of recently released political prisoner Morton Sobell,

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ZIMBABWE FREEDOM FIGHTER KIDNAPPED

(Richmond, British Columbia) - Ethan Dube, a member of the Zimbabwe (Rhodesia) African People's Union (ZAPU) was kidnapped on October 13 from his temporary home in Francistown, Botswana, the Liberation Support Movement (LSM) reports.

Dube was knocked dead or unconscious with an iron bar wielded by three White men and one Black man who broke into his house and after hitting him, carried him to a waiting car. The car was later found abandoned and splattered with blood near the Rhodesian border 70 miles north of Francistown.

It is widely believed that the fascist Rhodesian regime of Ian Smith was responsible for the kidnapping in its futile efforts to stop the advance of the Zimbabwe liberation struggle Botswana, which borders Zimbabwe, Namibia South Africa and Zambia, is a Black-ruled country, economically dependent on the White racist government of South Africa and therefore has been forced to ban African freedom fighters from its territory.

ZAPU, has urged the Botswana government to end such raids and demand the immediate return of Ethan Dube.

BRAZIL TORTURES POLITICAL PRISONERS

(Rio de Janeiro, Brazil) — Aurelio Perez, a Roman Catholic metal worker, recently underwent beatings, electric shocks and suspension on an iron bar for 14 hours in a torture known as "the parrot's perch."

Mr. Perez was arrested by the Brazilian Army's secret police in Sao Paulo in September and has been "barbarously tortured" while under detention, according to his wife, Maria da Conceicao Perez, in a letter delivered to the National Conference of Bishops here and reported in *The New York Times*.

The Perez case is the latest reported evidence that torture continues to be used in the interrogation of prisoners in Brazilian military installations.

According to legal sources, physical torture has been "institutionalized" in Brazil since the end of 1968. At that time the military government, which seized power in 1964, decreed Institutional Act 5, which gives arbitrary powers to the president.

Some lawyers estimate that thousands of political prisoners have undergone some form of torture under interrogation. Despite press censorship, some of their stories have been made public through clandestine bulletins and by word of mouth.

The most detailed torture report so far was recently smuggled out of the country and sent to various human rights organizations. It is a 96-page document containing data on the organization of Brazil's national-security apparatus, methods of torture, alleged torturers and persons said to have died under torture.

The report lists a total of 79 deaths by torture for political reasons. One death was reported in 1965, and the rest are said to have taken place since 1969. The list shows only a small decline in deaths by torture since the end of 1971, when revolutionary organizations were virtually crushed.

The document, dated February, 1974, was compiled by a large group of Roman Catholic militants, lawyers, relatives of political prisoners and former prisoners, according to two of its members. Independent sources, including priests, professors and journalists, have corroborated the authenticity of information in the report.



DAVID DU BOIS (left), editor-in-chief of *THE BLACK PANTHER*, talks with the Most Rev. HELDER CAMANA, the progressive archbishop of Olinda and Recife in Brazil, whose aide suffered torture from the government.

According to the report, the principal organization for anti-subversive activities is the Operations Center for Internal Defense, which is directly under the army's intelligence service. It is a semiclandestine organization with personnel from various military and police barracks.

METHODS

Thirteen instruments or methods of torture, said to be most commonly used during interrogation, are described in the report. The most notorious technique is the "parrot's perch," in which a naked prisoner is suspended from an iron bar by his legs and arms, with his head hanging down toward the floor. In this position he is generally beaten or given electric shock.

Sophisticated instruments used to administer electric shock are said to include the "pianola," a keyboard operating a system of electric current similar to a technique used in South Vietnam,

and the "electric microphone," by which the prisoner receives electric shocks varying in intensity and duration according to sounds around him, including his own screams.

Other common forms of torture listed are submersion, beating with wooden paddles, wet ropes, plastic hose and rubber or leather whips, steel tourniquets, burning by cigars and cigarettes, intense light from 500-watt bulbs for long periods of time and the "refrigerator." That device, said to have been developed by the United States aides, is a small cold cubicle where powerful loudspeakers play continuously deafening sounds such as screams and screeching brakes.

More than 300 persons are identified by the report as torturers, persons who order torture or informers. The list includes police officials, military officers, drug traffickers, businessmen and members of extreme right-wing groups. □

AFRICA IN FOCUS



MOZAMBIQUE

The White Roman Catholic bishops of Mozambique are ready to hand over their responsibilities to Black clergymen if the Pope approves, according to a statement issued by the Mozambique Episcopal Secretariat.

SOUTH AFRICA

The Christian Institute of Southern Africa, an alliance of anti-apartheid clergymen, has called for an end of White immigration to South Africa because of the country's "unjust discriminatory social structures." In a new publication entitled "White Immigration," the Institute called on foreign governments to prohibit special South African recruiting organizations from operating in their countries and to dissuade their citizens from immigrating to South Africa.

ANGOLA

Portuguese troops have forced the replacement of the governor and military commanders of the troubled Cabinda district of Angola. The move followed clashes between what has been described as rival nationalist movements in Cabinda, an oil-rich area separated from the rest of Angola by the Congo River.

MOZAMBIQUE

More than 250,000 Africans in Beira Province will soon run short of food unless massive aid is rushed to rural areas, a spokesperson for a famine relief organization said. Flooding earlier this year and the effects of the 10-year war fought between FRELIMO (Front for the Liberation of Mozambique) and the Portuguese over the territory have left serious food shortages in some areas. Trucks carrying flour, seeds and other aid will be sent by the new FRELIMO-dominated interim government until new crops can be reaped at the beginning of next year.

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WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE HEARS U.S. BLACKMAIL PROPOSALS

(Rome, Italy) With one-half billion of the world's people starving to death, the first World Food Conference began here last week, attended by about 1,000 delegates from some 100 nations.

The Conference opened with the United States talking loudly about what is needed to solve the world's food problem, while at

home U.S. farmers last week shot hundreds of cows to death that could have saved the lives of starving people somewhere on the globe.

The Conference was proposed to the United Nations by U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, whose appearance in Rome for the Conference was accom-

panied by protests during which bombs exploded at American affiliated business concerns here.

With famine spreading throughout parts of Asia, Africa and Latin America, the U.S., the richest food producing country on earth, made much noise about the need for a World Food Conference. The motive of the U.S. in

calling for the Conference was to shift away from itself the focus of blame for the worsening world food situation.

Meanwhile, the press in the U.S. reported extensively on proposals put to the Conference by the U.S., but failed to mention statements to the Conference by countries of the Third world, the main victims of starvation. Most notably, the press failed to report statements to the Conference from the People's Republic of China, a country which has remarkably wiped out hunger among its 800 million people and recently achieved self-sufficiency in food production after years of being considered one of the world's poorest countries.

Probably the most absurd contention by U.S. delegates at the Conference was that politics should have no place in fighting the food crisis. By saying this, the U.S. was attempting to cover up the fact that the food crisis is the result of a world dominated by Western political and economic systems based on exploitation of human being by human being.

An idea popular with Western delegates was that the food crisis could be attributed to overpopulation in the Third World. With this claim, Western delegates alleged that the people themselves were to blame for their lack of food because they bore too many children. This notion fails to take into account U.S. exploitation of foreign soil and the fact that the world produces enough food to feed everybody, but the rich receive a disproportionate share, much of which they either don't need or waste.

Some Western delegates tried to blame the food crisis on the weather, claiming that unfavorable climate during the past few years was responsible for cuts in production. Though bad weather may have destroyed some crops it failed to cause a worldwide crisis. Sufficient food to feed the world continues to exist, but it is improperly distributed. Furthermore, bad weather has not resulted in a slash in the standard of living of the wealthy.

A number of delegates stated that developing countries need to place more emphasis on the development of their food economies. The reality, however, is that developing countries dominated by the U.S., have been forced to produce what is called

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REACTIONARIES PROTEST U.N. INVITATION TO PALESTINIANS

(United Nations, N.Y.) — Over 100,000 people demonstrated here last week to protest the United Nations invitation to the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) to take part in the world body's debate on the question of the fate of the Palestinian people.

The anti-PLO demonstration, one of the largest and most overtly reactionary rallies in New York City's history, according to *The New York Times*, included such Jewish and Israeli supporters as Abba Eban, Israel's former foreign minister; Senator Henry M. Jackson of Washington; Moshe Dayan, the former Israeli defense minister; New York City Mayor Beame; ex U.S. Attorney

General Ramsey Clark; and New York Senator Jacob K. Javits.

In a bitter speech, Mr. Eban declared:

"The United Nations, in its present composition and mood, would refuse to support the Ten Commandments because they came out of Israel."

The demonstrators communicated their anti-Arab sentiments in hundreds of signs. "The PLO is Murder International" and "U.N. Surrenders to Murderers" and many others.

The PLO is the umbrella group recognized by the Arab League of Nations as spokesman for the Palestinian people in their dispute with Israel. The PLO's willingness to cooperate with Western powers in a settlement of the Middle East dispute caused one of its strongest members, the Marxist Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine (PFLP), headed by Dr. George Habash, to withdraw from the PLO Executive Committee in October.

The upcoming debate in the 138-member General Assembly is especially noteworthy because it will be the first time in the U.N.'s 29-year history that the question of a Palestinian state will be discussed separately from the general Middle East issue.

PLO head Yasser Arafat is expected to open the debate originally scheduled for November 4, but later postponed for one week. Over 130 persons are expected to speak.

RECOGNITION

Growing world sentiment for the creation of a Palestinian state, adamantly opposed by Israel, is an important factor in the probable U.S. decision to recognize the PLO rumored to take place later this year. American diplomatic sources report that such recognition is vital to U.S. "peace-making" efforts in the Middle East. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger, who has recently been on tour in the Middle East, is expected to bluntly tell Israel that the Palestinians must be included in any future negotiation on the Middle East. In 1948 Israel seized the Palestinian land and drove off the Palestinian people, causing hundreds of thousands to become political refugees.

According to *The New York Times*, the U.N. debate is expected to "feature a daily oratorical duel" between delegates from Syria and Israel because of the growing tension between the

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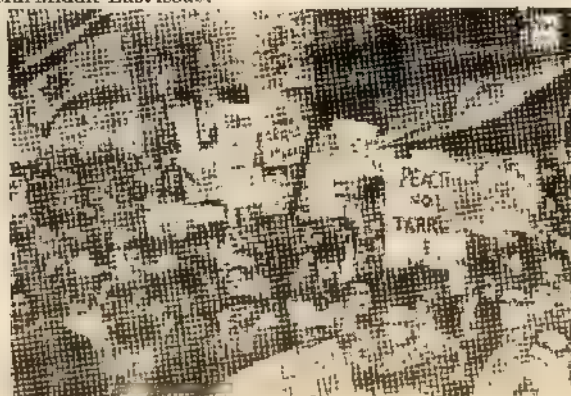
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Over 100,000 people demonstrated outside the U.N. last week against the Palestinian Liberation Organization.

"NEW MOZAMBIQUE"

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As in the past, they will try to use everything. Overt or covert appeals to racism, tribalism and regionalism will be intensified. We will make relentless use of the same liberating fire that wiped out colonialism in opposing racism tribalism and regionalism because these are the commanders-in-chief of the enemy's forces which attack and destroy our people's unity, the main weapon in our struggle. These are the essential instruments which weakened our people in the past and allowed them to be dominated.

As regards our action in the field of socio-economic development, it is necessary right away to lay down a number of priorities so as to know how to orientate our efforts.

We inherited a colonial economic structure in which the productive factors did not serve our country or our people, but foreign domination. We must combat this situation by laying the foundations of an independent economy to serve the working masses.

The Transitional Government must try as rapidly as possible to solve the serious financial problems, in particular the monetary situation and the establishment of a Mozambican Bank of Issue, and make a frontal attack on the most pressing problems of the broad masses in our country: hunger and lack of clothing and housing. These ills were not an act of fate, but a result of the system of exploitation. If the productive efforts of the working masses are made within a system of social organization which fights exploitation, these problems will be gradually eliminated, as the evidence of our liberated areas shows.

Faced with the present economic and financial situation characterized by a balance of payments deficit and a rapidly rising cost of living, especially as regards essential goods, our economic strategy must be based on the principle of relying on our own efforts, with emphasis on the following watchwords: austerity and work.

The present situation demands on the one hand, that we fight against superfluous and luxury consumption, avoid wastage and accept sacrifices. On the other hand we must throw ourselves fully into the economic development of our country which means stepping up productivity.

Industrial economic development is essentially the result of work.

More work means higher production, which in turn enables us to raise our standard of living.

With the conquest of political power by the people, the foundations are laid for solving the problems of the working masses in accordance with their interests.

Adequate structures will be established for the correct solution of problems which crop up in labor relations.

Mere wage increases will not solve the problems facing the working masses especially since in the present situation they would inevitably be transferred to price increases which would automatically cancel out the higher purchasing power.

Under these conditions, at this stage in the life of our country, there is no more reason for strikes because our main concern should be to restructure and relaunch our economy.

Another defect which is characteristic of the structure we have inherited is the tremendous imbalance in regional development, particularly the imbalance between town and countryside.

The overwhelming majority of our people live in the countryside, and it is in the countryside that are to be found the natural resources which must be developed so as to make our country prosper. It was the countryside that most suffered from the destructive effects of war and it is in the countryside that the clearest signs of hunger can be seen. It is therefore towards the countryside that our main efforts to improve the living conditions of the masses will be directed. Priority must be given to the development of our agriculture, animal husbandry and the most effective use of our sub-soil resources.

Agriculture will therefore be the base of our development and industry its galvanizing factor.

Industrial development must be based on the processing of our natural resources, which will make it possible to diversify and increase the value of exports.

We must launch an unyielding struggle against the vestiges of colonialism, decadent values, erroneous ideas, the attitude of uncritically imitating foreigners, and against immorality. We must affirm and develop our Mozambican personality by strengthening our unity, constantly exchanging experiences and merging the contributions made by all of us. In this respect we must bear in mind that the city is one of the centers of vice and corruption and of alienating foreign influences.

We will place training, education and culture primarily, at the service of the broad masses oppressed and humiliated by the system of colonialist and capitalist exploitation. The blood of our people was not shed only to free the land from foreign domination but also to reconquer our Mozambican personality, to bring about the resurgence of our culture and to create a new mentality, a new society. The priority aim of education will be to wage a vigorous battle against illiteracy, a product of colonialism which today affects the overwhelming majority of our people. This effort must be centered especially on rural areas, where schools are practically nonexistent.

The schools must be fronts in our vigorous and conscious battle against illiteracy, ignorance and obscurantism. They must be centers for wiping out the colonial-capitalist mentality and the negative aspects of the traditional mentality: superstition, individualism, selfishness, elitism and ambition must be fought in them. There should be no place in them for social, racial or sexual discrimination.

TO BE CONTINUED



Blacks in Mozambique, celebrate signing of independence pact

WORLD SCOPE



UNITED STATES

The Inter American Press Association has asked President Gerald Ford to make public the names of Chilean newspapers that allegedly received financial assistance from the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) during the administration of Dr. Salvador Allende, who was assassinated last year in a CIA-sponsored military coup d'état. The Association's request is apparently a response to Ford's statement in a September 16 press conference that millions of dollars had been secretly sent into Chile between 1970 and 1973 to "assist the preservation of opposition newspaper and electronic media."

NORTH VIETNAM

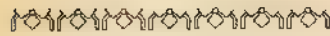
North Vietnamese politburo member Le Duc Tho, who along with Secretary of State Henry Kissinger won the 1973 Nobel Peace Prize, has forfeited his share of the \$116,000 prize money, the Nobel Institute reported last week.

Tho failed to meet the deadline for formal acceptance or declining of the award. When the award was made last year, Tho shocked the world by refusing it, saying that he would not accept it until there was genuine peace in Vietnam. Tho, along with Kissinger (who in no way deserved the award) was named for the prize in recognition of their joint efforts in bringing about a Vietnam peace settlement.

LAOS

The American Friends Service Committee, a group of American Quakers, has begun to provide what is believed to be the first U.S. aid to the revolutionary Pathet Lao forces in Laos. The Committee recently donated three portable sawmills to the Pathet Lao and conducted a two-month course in operation and maintenance. The Pathet Lao, which has formed a coalition government with the reactionary, U.S.-backed Vientiane faction, has been justifiably suspicious of receiving official U.S. aid in Pathet Lao liberated zones.

ENTERTAINMENT



I AM THE SUN

I am the sun that warms the day
and haunts the chill of night

I am the rich black seed
which sows in your soil

Look through my eyes, and see
the UNIVERSE
in a grain of sand.

I am love,
I am the stamen of your love

Kiss with my tongue
and tease ETERNITY

I am the fruit, the labor of love
that springs from the sweet wild
womb of AFRICA

I am MAN

I am the FATHER OF LIFE.
From my dark loins has come the
wisdom of the SPHINX

The strength of the pyramids,
and the beauty of the NILE!

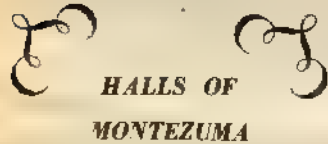
I am MAN.

I am your black man
taken out, out, out
from the cradle of mankind
(AFRICA)
into strange lands of the globe
and built civilization out of the
mud
and SAND!

My seed invested
until my rich blackness gave life
to the rocks

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Of the missionaries of the United
States

by Mark Spence

"DEATH WISH" - A TERRORIST APPROACH TO SOCIAL PROBLEMS

(Oakland, Calif.) - "Senseless" crime and violence, like every other feature of contemporary American society, makes sense or not depending on the angle you look at it. or, more bluntly, depending on the side of the tracks on which you were born.

The fact that some poor people steal and rob other people doesn't seem to make much sense to middle-class or rich people, who always cry out in bewilderment or shock at its increasing occurrence. It does make sense to increasing numbers of unemployed or underemployed people, however, struggling at all costs to survive.

Likewise, attempts to halt the upsurge of crime and resulting violence make sense or not depending on the political orientation and tastes of the respondent. Some, those presently in power and their supporters, choose to build rock-walled prisons to confine and deter criminals, preferring torture techniques to other alternatives. To them, it makes sense to brutalize "animals," as Black and poor prison inmates are usually called. Others strive to construct a more humane society, choosing to believe that if you reduce and eliminate the economic motive for crime, redistributing the world's vast riches and wealth in a more equitable way, the problem will be solved.



Racism, like senseless violence, is used by many people to solve their social problems.

Death Wish presents the idea of an individual taking the law into his own hands, taunting poor people with big dollars and shooting them dead in cold blood if, tempted onward, they try to share the wealth themselves.

In other words, as a major American film, *Death Wish* glorifies a kind of supreme madness that proposes that the answer to "senseless" social crime and violence vigilante-style premeditated murder and slaughter.

Starring Charles Bronson in the role of a middle-aged liberal land developer who freaks out when his wife is viciously murdered and his married daughter sexually assaulted by three young toughs in New York City, *Death Wish* is a highly flamboyant and

controversial film that breaks down some cold but frightening and real big city politics.

As the movie progresses, the deeds of the anonymous "vigilante" become cover story news on national magazines, and headlines scream of his achievements in New York's daily newspapers. Meeting in private, the district attorney of Manhattan and the city's police commissioner spell out their ultra-conservative solution to the veteran cop supervising the case:

(a) Muggings in N.Y.C. have dropped from 900 per week to 400 per week.

(b) Capturing or killing the vigilante, whose identity by this time is almost verified, would only make him a martyr and make the police look bad.

(c) Once the vigilante stops his terrorism, the mugging rate will soar again, causing other potential vigilantes to come forth.

Therefore, they explain, the only correct procedure would be to "scare off" the vigilante, not capture or kill him, to preserve his law-in-own-hands image and let others, many more, take up his righteous crusade. The city officials are resolved to encourage more vigilantes be they individuals or mobs to wipe out New York's "criminals" in a blood bath.

Death Wish ends in a Chicago airport scene in which Bronson, whose gun was taken away before he left New York, helps a young "innocent" girl pick up her packages after a group of youths knock them from her hands. As the youths curse at him, Bronson looks up, smiles broadly, and

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"TAR BABY"

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itary aid to Black states would be limited to "reasonable requests for purchase of nonsophisticated arms."

An August, 1974, statement issued by the State Department for public consumption hypocritically ruled out a strong stand against White minority governments because such policy "is likely to make the White community look inward, reconfirming its present beliefs and hinder... desirable change. It would also isolate the 'Black' populations (a policy) which neither we nor they desire."

The infamous "Tar Baby" memorandum, described as "a keg of dynamite" by one foreign affairs observer, foolishly declared:

HOPE

"There is no hope for Blacks to gain the political rights they seek through violence... The Whites are here to stay and the only way that constructive change can come about is through them."

Kissinger obviously underestimated such well organized Black revolutionary groups as FRELIMO (Front for the Liberation of Mozambique), which will assume total rule of the country on June 25, 1975

Greed was the key to the NSC decision to support the White racist governments of southern Africa where the U.S. has \$2.4 billion in investments. Racism and American desire for military security and allies also played an important role, since an independent Mozambique and Angola, likely to close their ports to the U.S., would leave the U.S. Navy with no land-support points between the North Atlantic in the West and the Philippines in the East.

"Tar Baby" also reveals several facts either not widely known or never publicly admitted such as the U.S. financing of a British atmospheric testing station for nuclear material in Swaziland, which monitors atmospheric explosions all over the world.

The NSC meeting at which "Tar Baby" was adopted had been described by Victor Marchetti and John Marks in their book, *The CIA and the Cult of Intelligence*. The description was heavily deleted as a result of a court-ordered censoring of the book allegedly for national security reasons.

The detailed public exposure of "Tar Baby" is expected to bring massive worldwide condemnation and protest against the U.S., led by Black African states and other Third World countries. □

WORLD FOOD CONFERENCE

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"agricultural raw materials" to supplement the food needs of exploiting countries at the expense of providing for their own people.

Furthermore, U.S. Secretary of Agriculture Earl Butz said that U.S. aid to hungry nations would only be possible if sufficient profit incentives for U.S. farmers are maintained. With high profits the main goal, food will never be equitably distributed, as the many cannot afford to pay "profit-making" prices for food.

Churches and charitable organizations from Canada proposed that people in rich countries eat less to free food for the hungry nations. The problem with this, however, is that eating less means buying less. If people

buy less, farmers will grow less and charge fantastically high prices, as they have already begun to do anyway, to maintain their profits.

Meanwhile, Harvard nutritionist Dr. Jean Mayer, who has returned from the World Food Conference, described a scene that he said was all too symbolic of the Rome gathering.

A delegate from starving Bangladesh gives his address before a virtually empty lecture hall while many delegates attend a cocktail party and drink alcohol distilled from grain that might have fed the hungry.

The World Food Conference is demonstrating that if the world's peoples leave the problem of starvation up to the U.S., countless more will go hungry. □



The greed of Western powers has caused many children in the world to be hungry.

PEOPLE'S FREE CLINIC

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stamped time period. Vouchers cannot be saved from one month to the next. The Clinic makes appointments for participants to return each month to Children's Hospital to receive a new booklet.

In addition to the supplemental food, WIC participants are guaranteed medical care from the

Clinic, a private doctor or other health care agency in the area.

The Clinic records measurements of height, weight and head size (for infants only) as well as conducts blood tests for anemia to help the doctor evaluate the participants' overall state of health. Also, the course and outcome of pregnancies are recorded.

Clinic staff provide helpful nutrition information on how participants can meet the nutri-

tional needs of their families, how they can stretch their food dollars and some ideas on how to use the WIC foods at home.

The People's Free Medical Research Health Clinic was established to provide free, comprehensive quality medical care for Black and other poor people. The WIC program, with its emphasis on good nutrition for families, is just one of many ways that the Clinic serves the concrete health needs of the community. □

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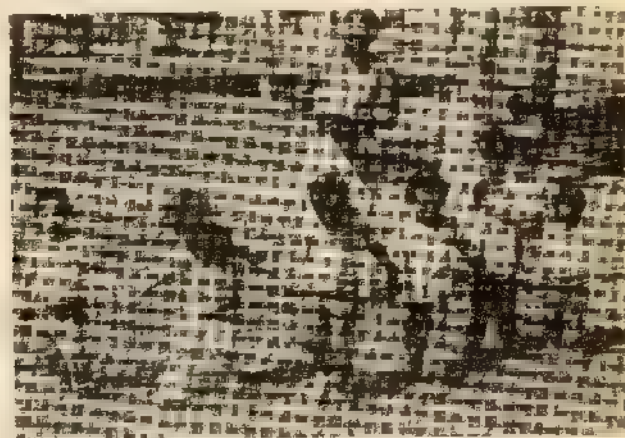
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SPORTS

HANK AARON: "I DON'T WANT TO BE A HOUSE BOY"

(Atlanta, Ga.) — Within hours after beating the "Babe Ruth of Japan," Sadaharu Oh, in a special Tokyo home run hitting contest and winning \$50,000, Henry Aaron was traded from the Atlanta Braves, his team of twenty years, to the Milwaukee Brewers, to play a "final" year of baseball in the same city and the same stadium where it all began for him in 1954. The following excerpt from a commentary by Larry Eldridge of the Christian Science Monitor describes the increasingly bitter sequence of events this past baseball season which affected the life of Henry Aaron, exposing the racist business interests that threw a dark cloud over what was supposed to be the Black home run king's finest hour.

A year ago Henry Aaron would have been the most surprised person around if he could have seen himself hitting home runs for the Milwaukee Brewers in 1975.

The most famous baseball player of our time had said repeatedly that 1974 would be his final season. Surely there was no way to anticipate that at the age of 41 he would find himself embarking upon a new career as a designated hitter. And for a new team in a different league!

Last April when he broke Babe Ruth's home run record, Aaron again insisted that this would be his final year, and he kept on talking of retirement most of the summer.

But little things started happening—things that disillusioned him, that wounded his pride and sensitivity, and that challenged his competitive instincts. By the end of the season, Hank had changed his mind, and there was little doubt he would be playing again somewhere in 1975—but not in Atlanta.

Perhaps Aaron's disenchantment with the Braves really began when they tried to keep him out of the lineup during the opening series in Cincinnati to make sure he didn't break Ruth's record on the road. Commissioner Bowie Kuhn stepped in to force his appearance in the lineup, and the result of the whole mishandled affair was a cloud of controversy around what should have been strictly a joyous occasion.

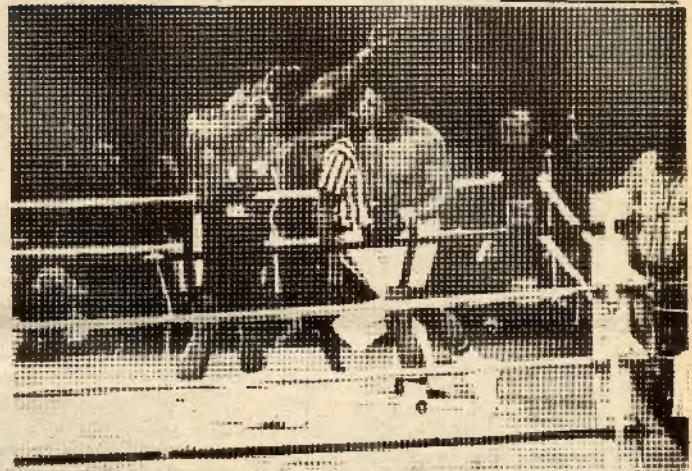
Aaron didn't let it bother him on the field: he hit the record-tying No. 714 on opening day and clouted the historic No. 715 in the home opener at Atlanta. He even went along with management at the time, saying he understood its position.

But maybe as the season wore on he looked back and recognized this as another typical instance in which the Atlanta organization failed to consider the individual, the game as a whole, or anything else except its own selfish interests.

Henry's real disillusionment, however, came in midseason when the Braves fired Eddie Mathews as manager and almost immediately named Clyde King as his successor. The pressure on all baseball to stop finding excuses and hire a Black manager was at a peak just then, and Aaron held a press conference to express his hurt and disappointment that the Braves hadn't at least asked him if he was interested in the job.

Even after this it still looked as though Aaron would close out his career this season and move into the front office job the Braves had promised him. But here too, Henry was disillusioned. He had envisioned a job where he would make decisions and work in player development, but he found that the club wanted him to do public relations work.

"I don't want to be a house-boy," he told newsmen at one point. "I make \$1 million from Magnavox, and I don't need any more public relations." □



Coming off the ropes as FOREMAN (left) became more flat-footed, Ali punctuated each round with fast, stinging shots like this right-hand lead.

FOREMAN A FLAG-WAVING SORE LOSER

(Paris, France) — Arriving here for a short layover to help his face heal before returning to the U.S., former heavyweight boxing champ George Foreman, typifying the American flag-waving attitude of never admitting defeat, told a press conference here he was appealing for an official inquiry into the title bout he lost to Muhammad Ali last week in Kinshasa, Zaire.

His face still somewhat puffy and sporting a swollen patch of blue under his left eye from the knock out punch and other swift combinations that battered his face, Foreman said he was asking the World Boxing Council to investigate certain irregularities involving the count, the ropes and the canvas.

It might, however, be more appropriate for George to ask the boxing authorities to tell him where the punch came from that

slammed him down that moonlit early morning in Africa.

At the press conference here, Foreman pretended to be the victim of a fast count in spite of the fact that later back in his dressing room, on-the-scene reporters heard him ask his manager, Dick Sadler, if he had been "knocked out cold." The only counting Foreman can remember is probably his own counting backwards from 100 as he tried to come to his senses after the fight.

Mentioning the ropes and the canvas, Foreman alleged that they had been tampered with.

Mentioning George Foreman, on the other hand, fight referee Zack Clayton says that "Ali psyched him out so much with taunts that Foreman lost his cool."

Clayton's partly right. He quotes Muhammad Ali telling Foreman: "What's my name sissy?" and "I'm gonna kick your black ass." During one of the clinches, the referee says that after Ali told Foreman that he looked tired, Ali smiled and said, "This is the worst place to get tired, young fella. You're here all by yourself and the referee can't help you."

But, it was with a large degree of creative skill and strategic genius, that Ali toppled the man he nicknamed "The Mummy," a victory that represented a triumph for the cause of Third World people's human rights.

In 1972, Foreman danced around the ring waving a U.S. flag when he won the Olympic gold medal for heavyweights. Since then, Foreman has repeatedly spoken out for the American

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REACTIONARIES PROTEST

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two countries. Israeli sources believe that if Arafat and the PLO were to establish a government in exile, the headquarters would probably be in Syria.

Last year, a U.N. resolution demanding "equal rights and self-determination" for the Palestinian people was adopted by the General Assembly by a vote of 87 to 6, with 33 abstentions. The U.S. opposed the resolution. Arabs predict that the majority in favor of the pro-Palestine resolution will be even more impressive this year. □

SORE LOSER

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system, repeating from school boy history books his love of George Washington and the FBI.

Ali was stripped of his title over seven and a half years ago in a blatant racial and political move when he opposed being drafted into the U.S. armed forces. Ali's brainy game plan called for him to lay on the ropes or in the corner in the early rounds, enduring Foreman's devastating power and wearing him down.

Joking before the fight Ali described himself as the "Mummy's curse." Fate bore his prediction out, as the younger Foreman, 25, almost drunk with sweat and fatigue, stumbled and fell in a lump. You can imagine Foreman's thoughts when Ali told him, as his strength began to ebb, "Now it's my turn."

George Foreman's flag has hit the ground. □

16,000 RALLY

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and Corky Gonzalez of the Crusade for Justice, a Chicano organization in Denver.

Children and others at the rally waved banners that read: "Independencia para Puerto Rico (Independence for Puerto Rico)." Some wore Puerto Rican Solidarity Day buttons and others draped banners over the balconies calling for independence.

Sponsored by the Puerto Rican Solidarity Day Committee, the rally was held concurrently with pro-independence rallies in Oakland, Los Angeles and Denver. The New York rally was to be broadcast last weekend to an estimated two million Puerto Ricans in their homeland. □

Letters to the Editor

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Beloved Mwafrican People:

We shall again see the sun rise. But forget nothing and start now to set everything that's not about Liberation in its correct place. We can not tell you who to recruit in your ranks, but we do say, social practice is the criterion of truth. Such would mean to defend all innocent Mwafrican brothers and sisters who honor our Benders of Black, Red, Green, as many times as we can die. Victory or martyrdom.

Monopolistic control in our food and housing industry has Blacks as a whole in bondage. We can not serve two creeds. Either one is for Mwafrican Liberation, or you are for the Imperialist Regime. Many of you don't realize how beautiful it is to look into our sexy Mwafrican women's eyes, and say: I take up arms only that you will build the nation that I am going to battle for. Victory or Martyrdom. So keep on loving your enemy, and you will stay innocent, also in poverty. The United States admittedly wasn't concerned with the Mwafrican struggle against Imperialism, because all support was given to Portugal's Troops. So every working Black dollar is stealthily supporting the Imperialist, Capitalist, and Fascist.

When it was told to boycott Gulf oil production, our grassroots political advocates showed crude deception to National Liberation. As long as blackness is sold for money you sow confusion in Nation building! Our people can stop oppression and exploitation by resisting Capitalist grants, and by armed struggle make the days of slavery be numerous! Now our political Figureheads are only saying "Make profits by any method and at any costs"; not only kill your Black brothers who speak of Black Liberation by Black power, but teach an education to would-be liberals.

The Red, White, Blue advocates have had us in bondage 420 years and proven crude deception because we are all deeper in debt, and in the grave yards and prisons!

AWAKE MY DIVIDED PEOPLE

No longer accept those who speak nonviolence, but rise up as the true warriors you are. Don't talk about killing the beast, exploiters of our race, but do it.

"Black on."

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Dear Sirs:

I received the Black Panther paper October 19, 1974, from a young man. I was sorry to read on page 2 where you mentioned the word Imperialism. I am sorry that you dear people seem to be misled.

The Communists always seem to call nations that are not Communists Imperialists. Free Enterprise has its faults but it's 1,000 times better than dumb, evil, cruel Communism. I can see your organization trying to help your race. Black Panthers I can see, but Black Panthers being Communist I can't see. Don't you know the cruel, bitter atheistic Communism idea is not good for anybody. I would not trust any Communist races—yes; god made the different races. The negro race is a great race. I really mean it. But Communism, no. The Black Panthers could help save our country from Communism.

I do not believe in busing children far away from home. Their color should not have a thing to do with it. If a school was 75% colored and my children went there, I wouldn't care if the school was near by. I do not believe it's right to bus children away from home. My two boys had colored roommates in college. They thought a lot of them. Races, countries, people of any color, yes, but Communism no, never, I believe.

We have the greatest saints in our church among the negro race. They do me good. Their zeal is for the Lord Jesus Christ. Folks, the American Indian Movement (AIM) burned a church. They are bad and wicked. But true Christians will be true to the Lord. I pray the Lord will help you to see the light and you will be saved.

Sincerely,

Mrs. Katherine Wenger
Box 245 - 90 Mt. Zion Way
Ocean Grove, New Jersey 07756

P.S. Folks, believe me, Communism is not for people. The big Communism bosses want to rule people with an iron hand.

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"DEATH WISH"

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pretending his finger is a gun, index finger raised as if it were the barrel of a gun, pretends to shoot the youths. You know the "vigilante" will strike again.

Newspapers have reported that crowds of White movie theatergoers in New York and around the country have openly applauded and cheered as the vigilante gunned down his Black and poor attackers.

This, too, is another sign of the times in which we live.

That the madness—in theory and in fact—of an individual terrorist's approach to solving social problems, that face-to-face wholesale slaughter of Black and poor people is appealing to evidently large numbers of White American citizens, enhances the brilliant and thought-provoking force of *Death Wish*.

Go see *Death Wish*, and after you've seen it, sit down and really think and discuss what you've seen and heard. Then think of all the alternatives you can to end crime and violence in your community. Decide for yourself what makes sense for you.

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PEOPLE'S FREE COMMUNITY EMPLOYMENT PROGRAM

Provides free job-finding services to poor and oppressed people.

PEOPLE'S FREE SHOE PROGRAM

Provides free shoes, made at the People's Free Shoe Factory, to the people.

PEOPLE'S FREE CLOTHING PROGRAM

Provides new, stylish and quality clothing free to the people.

INTERCOMMUNAL NEWS SERVICE

Provides news and information about the world and Black and oppressed communities.



FREE MUSIC PROGRAM

OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA

LEGAL AID AND EDUCATIONAL PROGRAM

Provides legal aid classes and full legal assistance to people who are in need.

FREE Busing TO PRISONS PROGRAM

Provides free transportation to prisons for families and friends of prisoners.

FREE COMMISSARY FOR PRISONERS PROGRAM

Provides imprisoned men and women with funds to purchase necessary commissary items.

SENIORS AGAINST A FEARFUL ENVIRONMENT [S.A.F.E.] PROGRAM

Provides free transportation and escort service for senior citizens to and from community banks on the first of each month.

PEOPLE'S COOPERATIVE HOUSING PROGRAM

Provides, with federal government aid, decent, low-cost and high-quality housing for Black and poor communities.

PEOPLE'S FREE PLUMBING AND MAINTENANCE PROGRAM

Provides free plumbing and repair services to improve people's homes.

FREE PEST CONTROL PROGRAM

Free household extermination of rats, roaches and other disease-carrying pests and rodents.

INTERCOMMUNAL YOUTH INSTITUTE

Provides Black and other oppressed children with a scientific method of thinking about and analyzing things. This method develops basic skills for living in this society.

LIBERATION SCHOOLS: FREE MUSIC AND DANCE PROGRAMS

Provides children free supplementary educational facilities and materials to promote a correct view of their role in the society and provides support for the Music and Dance programs of the Intercommunal Youth Institute.

CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER

Provides 24-hour child care facilities for infants and children between the ages of 2 months and three years. Youth are engaged in a scientific program to develop their physical and mental faculties at the earliest ages.

"All these programs satisfy the deep needs of the community but they are not solutions to our problems. That is why we call them survival programs, meaning survival pending revolution."

—Huey P. Newton



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